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A black and white photograph of a person standing on a large, rectangular stone or concrete block in a field. The person is wearing a dark, patterned garment and a hat, and is holding a long, thin object, possibly a staff or a rifle, vertically. The background shows a fence and some trees.

Shown conduct

message from
American war

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—Mr. Anthony Eden, the Dominions Secretary, has sent a message to Mr. T. G. Jefferys, the Australian Premier, in reply to the Dominions Premier's offer to send an air expeditionary force.

Mr. Eden says: "Your High Commissioner to London has communicated to us your offer of September 20, to provide an air expeditionary force to be sent to assist His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom that this most generous offer is deeply appreciated here."

The Germans allege that Poland was dominated by thoughts of occupying Danzig and East Prussia from three sides, and of conquering the latter as an island from the rest of Germany.

The Poles, says the communique, under-estimated the strength of the German army, which has taken over 500,000 prisoners and captured enormous quantities of war material.

The Polish air force, it says, was smashed by two air fleets formed by Field-Marshal Goering, while "our own losses were small."

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Whenever, therefore, we see the results of the Soviet invasion of Poland, our purpose is unaffected, and we will prosecute the war with unflinching determination.

Chief Marshal Sir Robert Brooke Popham is relinquishing his appointment as Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Kenya, to take up duty with the Royal Air Force.

Mr. G. S. Salunper, C.B.E., General Manager of the Southern Railway, has been appointed Director-General of transportation and movements at the War Office.

The daughter, Miss Lillian Louise Carne, who worked in St. Breward post office, was-to have been married next spring to Mr. Dick Rich, who is returning to South Africa.

After death the doctor declined to give a certificate. At the inquest which was adjourned it was stated that a pathologist had made a post-mortem examination and had removed portions of the body for further examination.

The missing woman was last seen not far from the cliff edge at Trenarner, near St. Austell.

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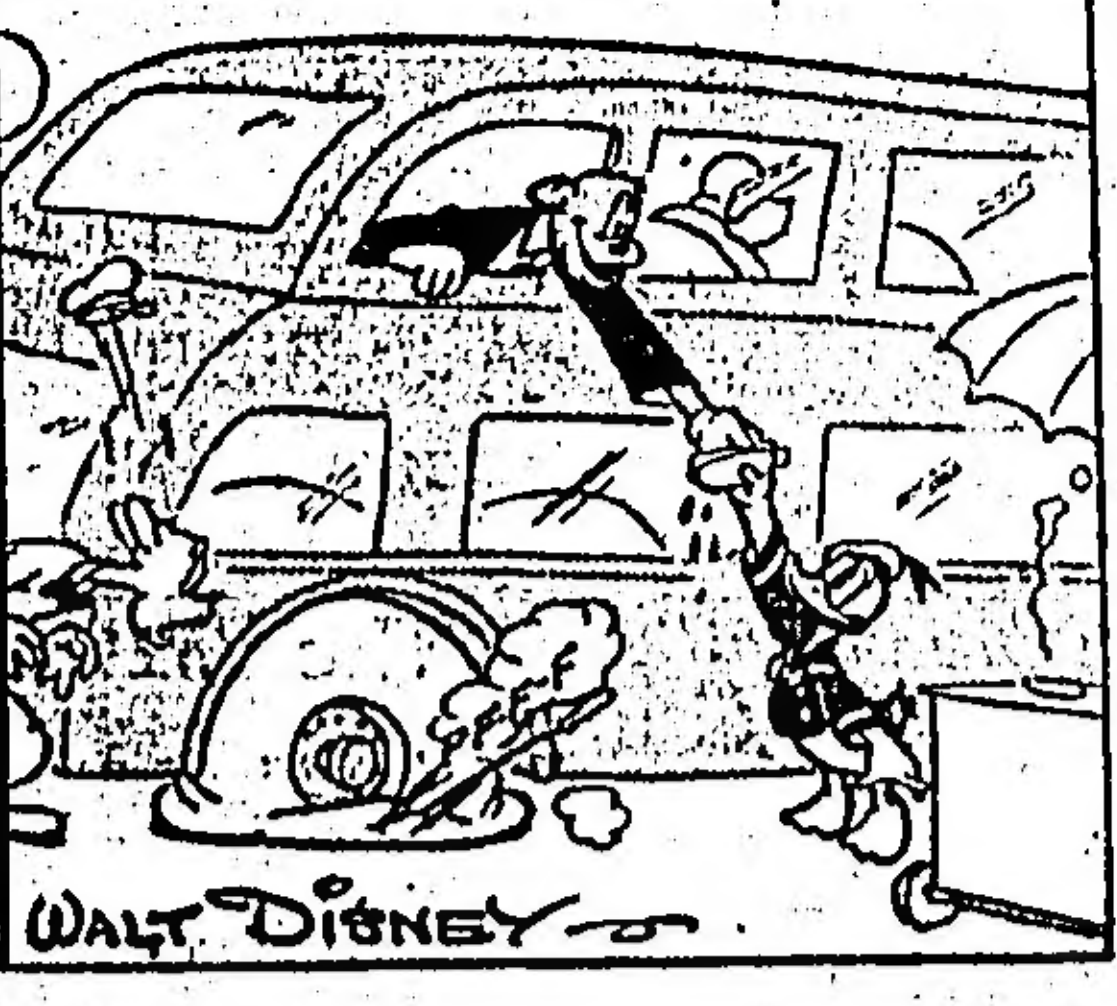
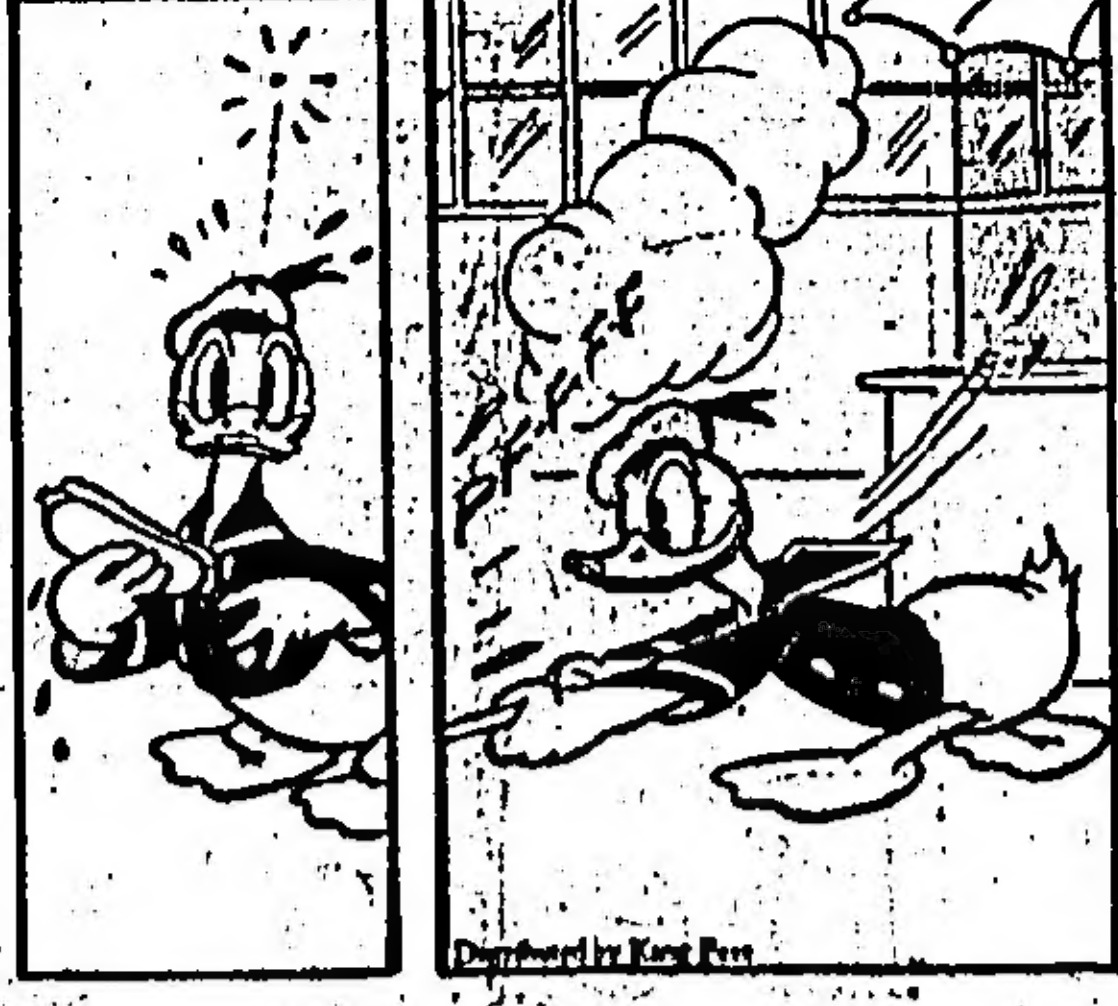
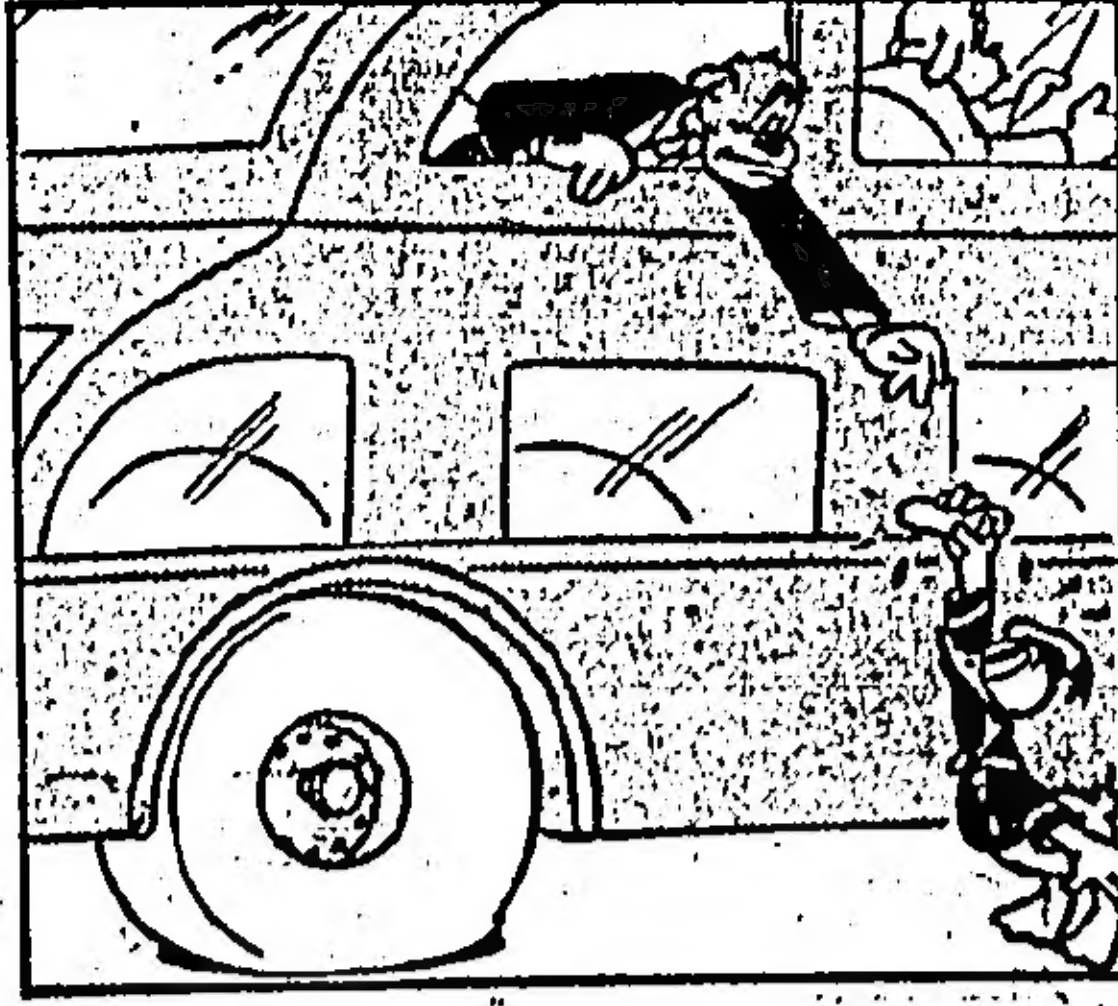
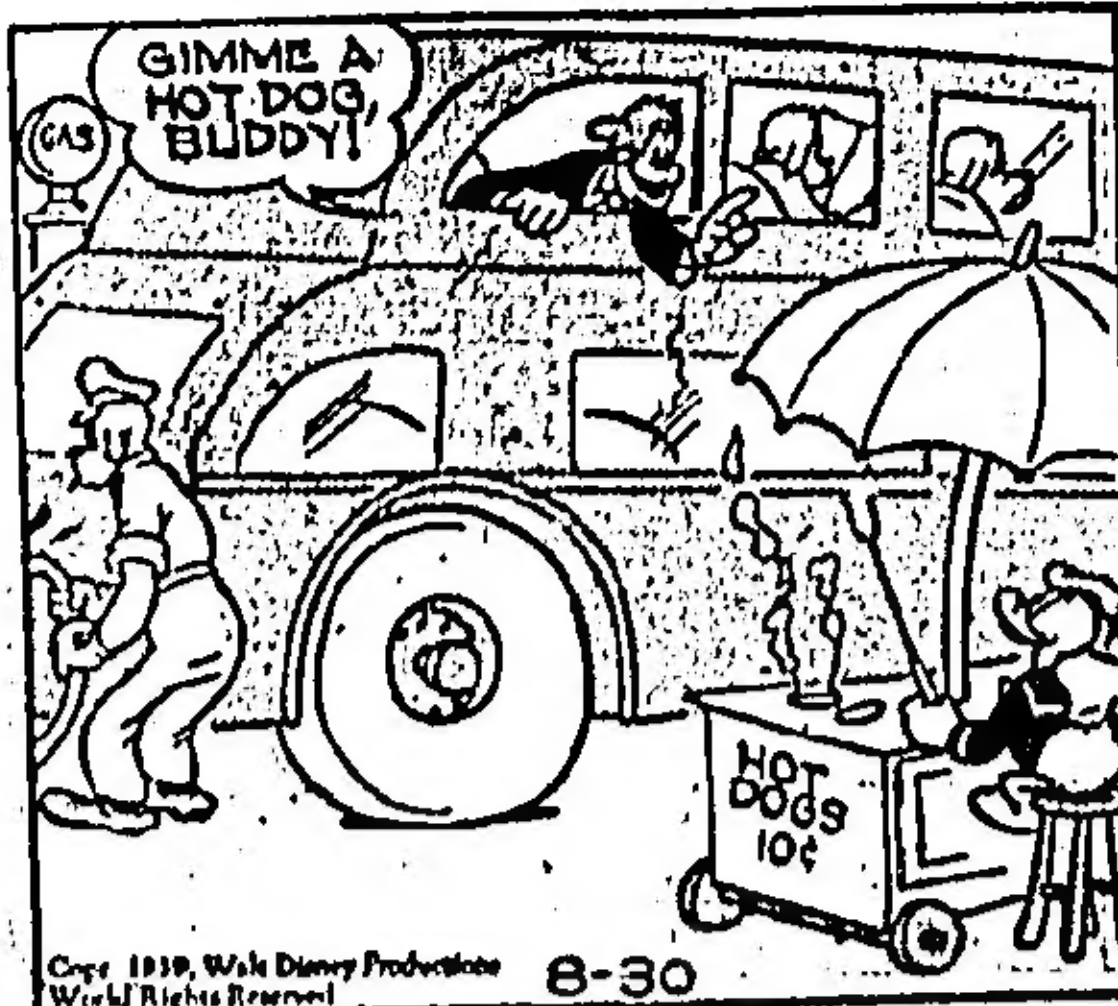
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A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

Sept. 25, 1889.
 It would appear that Shanghai is still a long way from being a ship-building line—vide the report of the trial trip of the steamer Pao Ching. Doubtless, the cause of this is that our local Dock Company has never had a chance of constructing a steamer of over 1,000 tons.

25 YEARS AGO

Sept. 25, 1914.
 A Petrograd telegram reports that the Russians have occupied Jaroslavl fortress, a most important railway centre in Russian Galicia. (Again the cruisers Aboukir, Hogue and Cressy have been sunk by submarines in the North Sea.)
 The Aboukir was torpedoed and the Hogue and Cressy, while standing by to save the crew, were also sunk by another warship division, destroyers, trawlers and boats. A message from Ymuiden, near Amsterdam, states that a steamer has arrived with 287 British survivors of the torpedoed cruisers. There are one dead and a few wounded. Eighty survivors are reported to have been landed at Harwich. It is estimated that seven hundred are saved. Thirty officers rescued from the sea, landed uninjured, dressed in sack, shawl, etc.
 Five German submarines attacked the cruisers. Other British cruisers were torpedoed, but the survivors were rescued and it is reported that they destroyed two submarines. Steamers are bringing survivors and wounded to Ymuiden.
 A further report from Ymuiden states that the Aboukir and then the Hogue were torpedoed. The Cressy sank at six in the morning. It is reported that the Cressy sank two of the submarines before she was herself torpedoed. The Cressy sank at eight o'clock.

10 YEARS AGO

Sept. 25, 1929.
 The 22-year-old Canadian liner Mauretania established three more remarkable records today, when she completed her eastward crossing of the Atlantic in 4 days 17 hours 40 minutes, beating her own previous best time for the journey by four hours.

5 YEARS AGO

Sept. 25, 1934.
 Fourteen players who will definitely be making the trip to Shanghai as the Hongkong Intercontinental team were announced today. The players chosen are: T. E. Pearce, H. W. Barnes, G. S. Dunkley, C. C. Garthwaite, H. Owen Hughes, A. E. Mackay, J. McPherson, J. Madar, A. B. Minu, E. J. R. Mitchell, T. A. Pearce, F. D. Pereira, G. R. H. Ricketts and J. P. Williams.

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DEATH OF FAMOUS PSYCHO-ANALYST

London, Sept. 24.
 Sigmund Freud, "the father of psycho-analysis," died here to-day at the age of 83.—*Reuter Bulletin.*
 Born in Moravia, Sigmund Freud, the originator of psycho-analysis, was born at Freiberg, Moravia, in May, 1856, the son of a tradesman. He studied medicine at Vienna. Then for a time he was a hospital surgeon. Later he taught at Vienna University and in 1886 went to Paris as a pupil of Charcot.
 Returning to Vienna, he was appointed lecturer on neurology and in 1920 professor of that subject. He was one of the thinkers who have revolutionised whole systems of thought. His teachings have been the subject of many books and have brought strange and in some cases terrifying things to light, revealing us as the unconscious tools of hidden or suppressed appetites, wishes and instincts.

Remembering Aids
 His theory sprang from the fact that when patients were hypnotised they often remembered things they could not recall in their ordinary state. Told of these, they usually showed considerable emotion which seemed to have a salutary effect on nerve cases. Freud held that nervous trouble was due to inadequate emotional response at the time of certain unpleasant experiences and called the inducing of this belated response the "cathartic" or cleansing method and the response itself "abreaction."
 Later he developed a special technique, dropping hypnosis for his psycho-analytic method under which the patient in ordinary conversation and by the interpretation of his dreams revealed what was wrong with him. After studying thousands of dreams he came to the conclusion that a dream is the symbolic expression of some hidden wish which would not be admitted by the conscious personality and which usually dates from childhood. He devised a system of interpreting dreams from which, he claimed, he could learn what was in the dreamer's unconscious mind, which is full of forgotten facts and repressed wishes. These nevertheless exercise an influence on his habits and behaviour.

Imaginary ailments, he said, were indications of something in the unconscious mind and when the patient was able to bring them to light, he lost the sense of reality altogether. In the course of a child's development there were many places where the emotional life may go astray. Heredity or environment might lead to the formation of a "complex" of ideas. The individual might then be unable to face certain situations in later life. Freud held that there were two types of dreams—those due to a past conscious experience and the other a fabrication probably due to thought-transference between individuals.

Opposed by Colleagues
 Freud's method of treating mental diseases by psycho-analysis was strongly opposed by the bulk of the medical profession on the ground that it is calculated to make people morbid and by others who dislike the idea of everything in life being traced to crude sexual instincts. His system was much exploited and misused by charlatans in the height of the craze for it, which, however, waned after a time. Freud was of opinion that psycho-analysis should be practised by laymen rather than doctors, as the latter had too many other things to study and could not give it the necessary attention. He believed in the children being analysed. On the subject of dreams having a basis in sex motives he declared that many of his followers had been guilty of gross exaggerations.

Freud made a great reputation for himself by his writings in which he gradually developed his psycho-analytic system. This long series of books was translated into English, French, Spanish, Dutch, Swedish, Polish, Russian and Magyar. Among his most important works are "Studies on Hysteria" (1895), "On Dreams," "Psychopathology of Everyday Life," "Three Papers on the Sex Theory," "The Mind and its Relation to the Subconscious," "On Psycho-analysis," "An Introduction to Psycho-analysis," "The Ego and the Id," "Topical Thoughts on War and Death," and "Psycho-analytic Studies on Literature and Art." His studies yielded interesting results in relation to other subjects and in the possibilities of their adaptation to branches of knowledge such as mythology and the history of religion, civilisation and literature.

Many Publications
 His chief works in this connection are "Totem and Taboo," "A Childhood Memory," "Leonardo da Vinci," "Beyond the Pleasure-Principle" and "Mass Psychology and the Ego-Analysis." Freud also edited the "Year-Book of Psycho-analysis," the "Imago" and the "International Journal of Psycho-analysis." To mark his 70th birthday he was given the freedom of the city of

Vienna. In August 1930, Frankfurt awarded him the Goethe Prize.
 At the age of 70, in 1934, he published a book "The Future of an Illusion" in which he declared that religious creeds were the result of human illusion. Every educator or doctor aimed at liberating a child from its neurotic tendency and was incumbent on the educator of mankind to free man from fixed religious ideas and illusions. He added that there was no need to regret the impending loss of religion. Mankind's chief aim should be humanitarianism and the limitation of human suffering.
 Freud's daughter Anna devoted herself to adapting psycho-analysis to the treatment of neurotic children. The father of psycho-analysis was adverse to personal publicity and has never granted a newspaper interview during his entire career.
 In spite of a painful operation in the roof of the mouth in 1934 by which his faculty of speech has been somewhat handicapped, the veteran scientist enjoyed perfect health and the full possession of his mental faculties.

Exiled in England
 During the war psycho-analytic treatment of "war neurosis" showed marked successes and paved the way to general recognition of Freud's theories.
 Since then the studies of his disciples have gained importance while Freud devoted himself more and more to theoretical speculation. Among the fruits of this period are "Psychology of Masses and Analysis of the 'I' and the 'It' and the 'Super-ego'."
 When the Nazis gained power in Austria Freud was one person who, a few days later, was arrested and after being arrested he was ransomed by some of his wealthy friends and escaped to England, a "voluntary" exile, arriving in London on June 7, last year.

Through America wished him to continue his journey Freud wished only for peace and a quiet place to continue his work and not further honours and disciples and declared, "I have no plans. I merely desire to live the few days left of my life in peace and quietness in England."

Statesman Dies
 Paris, Sept. 23.
 M. Raskolnikov, former Soviet Minister to Bulgaria, died in a nursing home in Nice in mysterious circumstances, according to *Reuter*.
 M. Raskolnikov was relieved of his post in April, 1938, and was declared an outlaw by the Supreme Court of the U.S.S.R. on the ground that he had "joined the camp of the enemies of the people."—*Reuter.*
 Fedor Fedorovich Raskolnikov, aged 47, had been a member of the Bolshevik Party since 1910 and took part in the October Revolution under Lenin. He was successively Commissar of the General Naval Staff, Assistant People's Commissar for the Fleet, Commander of the Volga Flotilla, Member of the Revolutionary and Military Soviet of the Republic. In 1920 he assumed his last naval post being Commander of the Baltic Fleet.

The following year he was made Minister to Afghanistan where he remained for two years. In 1924 and again from 1927 to 1930 he was editor of the *Krasnaya Nov* magazine and in the last two years was concurrently a member of the People's Commissariat of Education.
 His second Ambassadorial appointment in 1930 was to Estonia where he remained for three years. M. Raskolnikov then went to Denmark for one year and was transferred in 1934 to Bulgaria where he fled his post after disobeying a summons by his government to return to Moscow.

Mr. F. B. Simpson
 The death is reported by *Reuter* from England of Mr. Fred Brown Simpson, M.P. (Lab.). Mr. Simpson represented Ashton-under-Lyne since 1935, besides being Chief Assistant Secretary of the Railway Clerks' Association.
 Born in 1880, Mr. Simpson was a son of Mr. George Harry Simpson of Horbling, Lancs. He was educated at Muncie School Nottingham. He was formerly Railway Clerk representative of the L.N.E. Railway in Leeds; an Alderman of Leeds City Council; and Chairman of the Library and Arts Committee and Education Committee. Mr. Simpson was Lord Mayor of Leeds in 1931-1932 after which he became President of the Railway Clerks' Association for five years.
 He wrote many articles on Trade Union subjects.

Saburotsuko Okada
 Tokyo, Sept. 24.
 The death is announced of Mr. Saburotsuko Okada, member of the Imperial Art Academy and professor of the Tokyo Fine Arts College. He died of pneumonia at his residence in Tokyo on Saturday at the age of 71.
 The late Mr. Okada was one of the contemporary Japanese style painters of the 1920s and studied oil painting

HOLLAND'S DEFENCES ARE STRONG

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of which consisted exclusively of men, six feet high.
 "That is wonderful indeed," Queen Wilhelmina said smilingly. "But our Waterline is seven feet deep."

Witty as this reply may be, it is not quite correct as the great military value of the Waterline lies in the fact that the bottom of it is uneven and that for the greater part of it is too deep to enable the crossing of an army, but not deep enough to permit the use of boats; even in the shallow parts wading is made impossible by the innumerable canals which traverse the fields everywhere and which would become deathtraps to anyone who would try to cross the line even on horseback.

There are millions of these canals throughout Holland. Many of them have been deepened for the important part they would play in case of an emergency. In the regions which are not to be flooded they will cause great difficulties to the enemy's artillery, the more so as the soil is a lower part of the country is extremely soft and watery. This is clearly shown by the results of an experiment the General Staff has made only a few months ago.

THE war Ministry placed an order for a number of medium-weight tanks, of types which might be used in an attack on Holland, with armament factories abroad. The tanks arrived and were driven to the pasture land of which most Dutch provinces—especially in the West—mainly consist. There the tanks immediately began to behave oddly. They made some strange movements, they refused to go forward or backward, they refused to throw off their riders, "covered" a distance of five or six feet in this way, and then sank into the soil to stay there like monuments of stupidity.

Only one of them succeeded in going on for a dozen or more yards. Then there was a small canal, very shallow and only a few feet wide. The tank was supposed to take a jump over it, but it refused to do so. The obstacle like that with the greatest ease. In practice, however, it put its nose into the air, lifted its backpart into the air, and moved no more. It had to be dismantled to get it out of the ditch. From that day Dutch staff officers do not fear very much an invasion of Holland by means of armoured cars and tanks.

THE Dutch soldier is an extraordinary type. With the British he has a common trait of character that is not often found in continental armies: he likes personal responsibility much more than blind obedience.

He accepts discipline because he has to, not for sheer love of discipline, like, for example, the German soldier. If he is ordered to do a thing, he will do it, but he will not do it twice. He is not afraid of his work twice as well as when he has to act on command.
 Dutch officers know that and they respect it, with the magnificent result that during the international all round the country, at the sea ports in the West as well as in the forests in the East, are fully manned.

Every spot of the North Sea coast is continuously watched to rule out even the theoretical possibility of a naval attack, just as much as the whole length of the frontiers with Germany and Belgium are watched. No machine-gun is left unguarded for a minute. Cases of ammunition are opened and pinned near the guns. Dozens of spotlights nightly search the air above and around the aerodromes of Amsterdam and Rotterdam, from twilight until dawn. What has been said about the army applies to the navy, and the air force.

under M. Raphael Collin and M. Jean Paul Rolano. He was one of the distinguished Japanese artists who won the Order of Culture by the Emperor in 1937 after the new Order was created in the country with a view to encouraging the development of culture.—*Domei.*

BELGIUM HAS HER "SUDETEN"

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"spiritual unity" is nothing more or less than the annexation of the Flemish provinces of Belgium by Germany!

All this propaganda is well known to the Belgian authorities, but they are unwilling to disturb their relations with Germany by having a check put on it. However, public opinion forces them to act, as for instance, in the Winterling incident, when a Nazi journalist called Ehler addressed a meeting of Flemish Nationalists, and when asked by a policeman to produce his identity papers, refused, and impudently remarked that "soon we shall be here" questions in Parliament led to his expulsion.

HOW exactly all this activity is financed, is a mystery. One method, that through so-called "Poehls vouchers," has been stopped. The "Poehls vouchers" were so named after their originator, a commercial attaché at the German Legation in Brussels, who had them issued under the pretext of aiding needy Germans resident in Belgium. In point of fact, they were used to subsidise propaganda activities, and when this was discovered, the bank responsible for handling them, refused to do so any more.

It is true that at the moment, the support which all this activity evinces in Belgium is very small. Nevertheless this should be rather attributed to the comparatively small scale of Nazi efforts, than to successful opposition.

It must be recognised that the Flemings, the majority of the population of Belgium, always have been, and remain to-day rather of pro-German than pro-French sympathies.

A Flemish gendarme with whom I discussed the matter gave his opinion that unless some effort were made to check Nazi penetration in the Flemish provinces, the effect of a sudden intensification of propaganda, which might follow a quarrel with the Belgian Government, might be disastrous for the integrity of the Belgian nation.

So far the rift between the Flemings and the Walloons has been rather passive in character, but the essentials for a deep rift are there, and it only needs the sort of Gachon, such as Hainaut, Lille, Tils, Volosina, and others received, to carve the Belgian nation into two opposing "national" camps in condition ideal for the "restoration of order" by the very same people who began the trouble.

The independence of Belgium is a pre-requisite of British and French security.
 Nazi penetration in the "Redeemed provinces" and among the people of Flanders is therefore of primary importance not only to Belgium Democrats, but to France and Great Britain.
 The British public must watch events here with great care, lest they are suddenly overwhelmed by but a narrow strip of sea from the Swastika.

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U.S. Neutrality

THE proposals, which the American Congress will debate when it re-assembles in Washington today are of a momentous nature.

President Roosevelt has requested, in effect, that the United States abandon the incongruous Neutrality Act, which has controlled much of the foreign policy of the country since 1937, and reverts to International Law.

Under International Law it would be permissible for Americans to sell war implements to belligerents, providing the belligerents make available the cash to pay for them and the ships to carry them across the Atlantic. Under the existing legislation, which the President has protested, it is perfectly permissible for Americans to sell wheat, cotton, copper, steel and other raw materials to belligerents and to ship these supplies to them in American ships, sending American vessels into the war zone. Yet it is not permissible to ship guns, ammunition or other implements of war to countries engaged in the conflict. One of the first effects of this law was to prevent the delivery to France of 600 airplane motors which were being made in the United States for the French Government when war broke out. During the Great War the trade of the United States in raw materials sold to Great Britain, France and their allies was three times as great as its trade in actual war munitions sent to those countries. Thus if it is assumed that America was drawn into that war by having built up an economic stake on the side of the Allies, the raw materials were three times as much a factor in building up that stake as were the munitions sold.

A rejection of President Roosevelt's proposals for amendment of the existing Neutrality Act will be no guarantee of American abstention from war. Indeed, there are grounds for believing that the Congressional rejection of previous efforts by President Roosevelt to amend the law was, in fact, an encouragement to Germany to invade Poland, since there is no doubt that, so far, American sources of supply have been closed to the nations in the defensive alliance.

If Congress adopts President Roosevelt's appeal that arms and ammunition be placed in the same category with all other commodities and applies the "cash-and-carry" principle to them, it should provide the maximum of possible security from war for the United States, and at the same time aid those nations who are fighting aggression.

Mr. Roger Babson, the well-known U.S. statistician now visiting Hongkong, said in an address last Friday, America cannot afford

Large concentrations of Nazi troops near the frontiers of Belgium and the Netherlands suggest that one of those two countries may provide a channel through which the German military leaders will attempt to flank the impregnable Maginot Line. Below, "Telegraph" writers review the defences—and the weaknesses—of the two northern States.

Belgium Has Her "Sudeten"

IT IS a pity that most people who visit Belgium do not venture beyond the coast and Brussels, the capital, and do not penetrate into the beautiful forested Ardennes country.

Part of the Ardennes is inhabited by former Germans; the people of the so-called "redeemed provinces" of Eupen and Malmédy, where a silent, but none the less important battle is at present going on between those of the inhabitants who are satisfied with the extraordinarily liberal administration of the Belgian Government, and those who wish for an Anschluss with the National-Socialist Reich.

THE latter are organised in the "Heimattreue front" or True To the Homeland Front, which gets both its extensive financial resources and its spiritual inspiration from the Bund Der Deutschen im Ausland, the Deutscher Fichte Bund and other organisations in Germany which aim at including the National-Socialist philosophy among all peoples which might in any way be deemed of Germanic origin.

Included in the activities of the Heimattreuefront are the usual sub-sections: Hitler Youth, League of German Maidens, and so on. Money is collected for the Winter Help, in some cases in sizeable sums, if one takes the smallness of the territory into account. So-called "gymnastics clubs," and "gliding clubs," which exist in Eupen and Malmédy are but a cloak for irredentist political activity among young people, who are the backbone of the Nazi movement.

ON the other side stands the powerful influence of the Catholic Church, and the smaller, but still important voice of German Socialists, who like the Catholics have before them the example of events in the Reich to dissuade them from joining in the Heimattreuefront.

The loyal section of Belgium's "Sudetenlanders" are thus the older generation, whose cohesion in the "Democratic Front" is cemented by people like the ex-servicemen. In the last communal elections, even in Eupen, where the Heimattreuefront is strongest, the anti-Nazi parties won a majority of votes.

This majority, however, was in most cases very narrow indeed, and in point of fact, the casual visitor to the "Redeemed Provinces" is rather given the impression that the elections should have gone the other way round.

German style peaked caps, the distinctive mark of the adherent to the Heimattreuefront, are everywhere in evidence, while a careful look at the

to stand by as a spectator if there is any possibility that Great Britain and France will be defeated by Germany. Hence, it is to her advantage that the democracies be strengthened, and not weakened, in their fight against the aggressors. The existing Neutrality legislation weakens our resistance; the amendments proposed by President Roosevelt are the best reinforcements his country can offer us—short of going to war.

button-holes of the young will reveal many tiny swastikas.

THE attitude of the Belgian Government and of the man in the street on the question becomes apparent very soon.

So far, there has been none of the concentration of German propagandist forces which was seen in Danzig, and other territories finally annexed by the Reich, previous to their occupation by German troops.

But the majority of Belgians will tell you that should Eupen and Malmédy ever become a problem

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likely to lead to armed conflict, the territories would be transferred with little argument and less regret. They have little economic value, and are but a thorn in the side of the tranquility-loving people of Belgium.

On the other hand, the attitude of the Government has changed in recent years. In spite of the fact that fundamentally, the opinion of the electorate is on the whole shared by the administration, the latter would not be as ready to hand the territories over.

So far, the Belgian Government has been leading an "independent" foreign policy which led them last year to hold military manoeuvres on the French Frontier, "so as not to annoy the German Government."

But in official circles, it is realised that if Belgium should have to make a choice between the Democrats and the Nazis, there is no doubt that the Democrats would find her at their side.

IN such an eventuality, the areas of Eupen, Malmédy and St. Vith would assume a particular importance. As Monsieur Jules M. Mathieu, Governor of Liege, explained to me, Belgium's main line of defence lies behind the "Redeemed Provinces," which are thus an invaluable field of fire for the powerful line of steel and concrete, which guards the eastern frontier.

"For some 40 kilometres," he said, "an invading army would at present be subjected to the punishment of our forts."

"If those territories are handed back to Germany, the Reich's frontier would be brought to within a few thousand yards of the forts, whose effectiveness would thus be impaired to an enormous extent."

There is another side to the question which the more far-sighted Belgian politicians have in mind, and that is the problem of Flanders, whose people constitute the majority of Belgium's population.

It has not been unnoticed that every time a territory is handed back to the Reich, the Government which agrees to the concession is no longer as free from foreign influences as formerly; the most extreme example of this is Czechoslovakia.

This is a very important factor for Belgium, because Nazi penetration is confined to the "Redeemed Provinces," but is becoming increasingly active among the Flemings.

Last April, for example, a group of students from the University of Ghent were invited to visit Cologne. There they were subjected to a constant stream of propaganda. They were told in a lecture by Professor Martin Spahn that the National-Socialist Reich takes a particular interest in the Flemings, whom it considers to be a pure racial group of Germanic origin, and that the time for them to return to their natural German orbit has arrived.

In all the main towns of Belgium, there exist groups of the League of Germans Abroad, the whole "country-group" of Belgium being organised by a certain Herr Schulze living in Brussels.

The Belgian Nazis publish a daily paper, which is circulated among all Germans living in Belgium, and at the same time, take an active part in Flemish Nationalist politics.

In this respect, they were instrumental in founding at Antwerp the "National Socialistische Vlaamische Arbeiderspartij" the National Socialist Flemish Workers' Party, whose official organ "Fatherland and Work" is headed by two large swastikas, and whose avowed aim is to achieve "the spiritual unity of the people's community in Low-German Flanders with other ethnographic German communities." The written matter makes it clear that this

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HOLLAND'S DEFENCES are STRONG

NEUTRALITY is a wonderful thing, if you can defend it.

The fate of small countries wishing to be neutral but unable to help themselves in an emergency shows that the finest proclamation of neutrality is worth nothing if such countries have to depend on the courtesy of others to respect it.

The Dutch know that, and are taking the necessary precautions. Anyone who feels inclined to sneer at these measures, made by so small a country, should have been cured by the recent sharp fall of the guilder, and attributed by experts to the burden of strengthening the country's defences.

If this loss at the stock exchange did not convince the doubter he should make a trip to Holland and look for himself.

He will still find a country of seaside resorts, rich pastures, gardens, cows, and windmills, but if he uses his eyes, he will see a lot more than that.

THE unusual number of warships in and around the port on his arrival may not impress him very much, but he will become thoughtful when, shortly before passing the first bridge across a canal, the train guards will start closing all carriage windows—in spite of heat and closeness, rigorously prohibiting the passengers to throw cigarette end or anything else out of the train or to open the windows again.

For the bridge, like every other important bridge throughout Holland, is provided with a blasting-charge and is ready to be blown up at any moment.

This is the case even with one of the finest and newest bridges in the country: the one near Dordrecht, a marvel of bridge-building, which has been under construction for several years. Now, at last, the work is finished and the bridge has just been opened to traffic. . . . but with a blasting-charge in its inner parts! It is one of the wonders of our civilisation that, whereas the construction took such a long time, the destruction can be carried out within two seconds.

The defence of bridges—which in the Spanish Civil War have proved to be of the same strategic significance in modern warfare as in the past—is by no means restricted to their blowing up; on the contrary, this is only the last straw, as one can see when passing the bridges by car.

At both ends of a bridge of some importance in any area near the frontier (and which area of that small country is near the frontier?) vast numbers of iron poles are placed in deep holes in the pavement, rising three or four feet above the street level.

The Dutch soldier, whose humour is typical of the Army's spirit, has already nicknamed them "asparagus." These asparagus sticks leave only a small part of the bridge's width open to traffic and that remaining part, if an emergency arises, can be blocked in the same way, in less than a minute.

In many cases the precautions go further still: there you will find, standing upright in the pavement, a bundle of what could have been sewer-pipes, solidly joined to each other. These pipes are to be filled with cement, which in a couple of seconds transforms the obstacle into one solid block of concrete, which no vehicle, no tank or armoured car can possibly pass and which cannot be demolished except by blowing it up. And even that is made difficult by barbed wire entanglements of the latest design.

The delay thus caused is ex-

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actly what the Dutch defence system is aiming at.

THE small size of the army in proportion to the comparative extensiveness of the frontiers, as well as the character of these frontiers, would make a Dutch "Maginot Line" indefensible and therefore useless.

Consequently, the Dutch General Staff had to think of defence methods of their own and, as a visit now to any part of Holland clearly shows, they have succeeded magnificently.

One need not be a military expert to admire the ingenious work done in a short time with a modest budget. "Defence against a surprise attack!" was the watchword: as a Dutch officer explained it to me: "We are unable to defend ourselves single handed and for a long time against armies ten times the size of our own, but we certainly are able to force a delay in the advance of such an army."

Even a delay of a few days would be sufficient to get help from elsewhere and would rob the whole attack of its surprise value, which otherwise could be the only reason for a foreign power to undertake it at all.

On that idea of "delay" the whole of the Dutch defence system is built up. Hundreds of roads, leading across the frontiers, are decorated in a most unusual way: each tree wears a belt of little brownish blocks of iron round its trunk. All trees along a road are linked up by means of an electric fuse, and one ignition is sufficient to cause the explosion of every belt along a four mile road within one second! The effect is terrific. The trees break like lath and as their tops are interconnecting they fall across the road transforming it into an impenetrable tangle of branches and trunks and leaves, which would take a considerable time to get through.

Needless to say, these obstacles will be strongly guarded by machine guns and field guns, placed in trenches and pill boxes all around them. Rivers, railroads, and highways in the interior are protected in the same way.

When travelling through Holland one might see in a cornfield something that from some distance looks like a scarecrow. Closer inspection proves to be a machine-gun which has got its place but not yet its steel or concrete cover.

Wherever one looks—or is forbidden to look—there, machine-guns and quick-firing guns, protect Holland's roads and canals, and where they seem to be wanting, the peasants will betray to you, that several of them are hidden behind dikes and hedges, between hills and bushes.

The whole of Holland's countryside is one big but unobtrusive "Maginot Line" albeit of a somewhat unusual kind.

TO this must be added, of course, the historic Dutch defence system of the "Waterline," by means of which the valley between the Eastern and Western parts of the country can be flooded completely. Dutch strategical experts are not for a moment afraid that this system should prove out of date. As territories can be destroyed but not conquered by bombing, the enemy has still to march in to achieve decisive results and, once the "Waterline" is put into operation, this may give him a hell of a headache. Several years before the Great War, when the German emperor paid a State visit to the young Queen Wilhelmina, the Kaiser boasted of his wonderful army, some companies

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What to insist on in your new suit

TO-DAY we give you this season's Paris suit lines, and show you how to choose a suit that will be not only in the fashion but becoming to your own particular figure.

1 CORSET. WAIST, FULL SKIRT, FOR THE VERY SLIM.

2 BUSTLE. PLEATED SKIRT AND JACKET FOR THE TALL WOMAN.

3 LONG JACKET, STRAIGHT NARROW SKIRT, FOR A FULL FIGURE.

CHOOSING a suit that has got to last a season is to some people nearly as hazardous an enterprise as choosing a husband to last a lifetime. You've got to be sure of your material. In other words, you have not only got to judge your suit on its face value, but on its wearability for a number of different occasions (unless you've got unlimited capital, in which case practically none of these preliminary remarks applies) and on whether or not it is a good foil to you and your personality.

A SMART and fashionable suit ceases to have any point if it is worn by an unsuitable person. It is like putting an essentially modern picture in the most exuberant type of Victorian sitting-room. It cancels out.

So we must first of all go over the lines that are most likely to affect your wardrobe this winter, and apply them one by one to you who are liable to wear them. Variations on suits and jackets are many, but the principal lines to look out for are the long slim, single-breasted jacket with the straight skirt, the tight-fitting round-the-waist jacket which comes down to the hip line, a jacket which comes down to a point in the front and up at the back—Palmerton has sketched one—the five-eighths boxy jacket (these jackets are being worn solo for evening).

A sports suit in caramel tweed with the new pleats-at-the-back skirt line. The coat this girl is holding over her arm is of khaki corduroy. It is loose and five-eighths length, and is trimmed with large buttons on a double-breasted front and patch pockets.

Malmbocher favours them); a jacket which has a flared basque, sometimes trimmed with fur, at the back, and, of course, the sports jacket which lives in a world of its own, but still follows the characteristic line to the extent that it is long, slightly waisted, and worn over a slightly flared skirt.

Those who have been deploring the shortness of skirts can put on those extra inches and know they are on safe ground. Skirts 14 inches from the ground can be worn by anyone but the shortest.

Skirt lines vary from Marcel Rochas's very full ones, that carry the fullness all round, to those with a sleek front line with fullness at the back.

Schiaparelli does a straight, tight-fitting skirt as a contrast to most of the collections, and they are a boon to the rather full figure, on which an elaborate skirt looks top-heavy.

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IF you are slim, but with a rather heavy waist, adopt the Schiaparelli line, which does not accentuate it. If you are slim with a small waist in proportion, you can wear the full, draped, or slightly flared line, though the last would hide your contours, which this season would be a pity, as good ones are supposed to be accentuated.

If you are broad on the hips, with good seating accommodation, but tall with it, you can wear a skirt or jacket with a bustle that will be nipped in at the waist. But you must be tall to carry this off. If you are not tall, go in for a five-eighths length loose box jacket, and wear it with a slightly flared skirt—not a too full one.

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JACKETS to the autumn suits do, in the main, accentuate the waist-and-hip-line, but there are those loose jackets, too, which should be a boon to the fuller figure. Remember to buy one which gives you a straight line at the back. Your derriere should not bump it out.

Skirts, with the exception of those produced by Schiaparelli and Chanel, remain the same length, and I think you can rely on them doing so for some time. But the fact that some designers have put on an inch or two indicates that some time in the not so far future we shall be back to covering our legs.

An entirely different line, with a straight-in-front skirt pleated in the back, a long jacket and buttons down the front. This is trimmed with Astrakhan and the booties have Astrakhan tops to match. Note the hat with the curly brim. It's a new line. Good for almost anyone because it can be so easily adapted.

This is a typical shape jacket made of striped Donegal tweed, in such mixtures as green and pink, and blue and grey wide stripes. This one is trimmed with a velvet collar and is worn with a black skirt and black hat. Note the booties, made of black suede. You need a slim waist to wear this.

This tartan jacket is in wine, purple, and white. It shows the down-at-the-front, up-at-the-back line, and the lavish Astrakhan trimming round the hem, collar, cuffs, and the muff. It is worn with a black wool skirt with fullness at the back. Booties again.



Count the "TELEGRAPHS" everywhere

CREED (Famous Designer) Says:

"SPORTS suits are ideally suited to the typical Englishwoman. Wear them when you are out and look for wide shoulders and slim waists. These set off your limbs, which are generally longer than those of the Frenchwoman.

"For town wear, wear clothes that are not exaggerated. A good tweed suit (no divided skirts) or a woollen suit can be worn in town.

"For afternoon I do not like velvet on the Englishwoman. She does not carry it off so well as the French woman. I prefer a black wool suit, which you can wear with a sweater in the morning, and change in the afternoon with a blouse and change of accessories. This is economical as well as good.

"Colour is a question of personal taste, but I adore black for town wear. With black suits I like bright touches introduced by blouses and scarves. In the choice of colour to touch up a black outfit, you can show as much individuality as you like.

"I'd like to point out that the Englishwoman is taller than the Frenchwoman, has longer limbs, and suits are specially kind to her. I design for women who have very good figures, wide shoulders, and long limbs."

Ways With Old Stockings

GLOVES to wear while doing household and garden jobs that stain the hands can be cut from the tops of old stockings. Lie your hands in turn on a piece of newspaper, and round them for the pattern. Sew up the glove with the machine or with short back stitches.

Mittens for cold weather can be made in the same way by using old woollen stockings or men's socks (not knitted ones.)

By sitting a pair of woollen stockings down the back seams, cutting off the feet, and joining the legs together an excellent hot-water bottle cover can be made. Run a cord through the top and sew up the middle, leaving a gap in the middle for the hanging-up slip at the bottom of the bottle.

When You Wash Summer Frocks

"GENTLY" is the word to keep in mind when you are about to deal with summery frocks and blouses in the wash-tub. Their light colours and delicate fabrics need treating very considerably if they are to keep their new looks, so never start washing them in a hurry if you can possibly help it, and don't dump several frocks of different colour and materials in the tub together if you want to get the best results.

If you are washing a frock that has never been washed before, soak it well beforehand in cold water to get rid of the "dress" that is in the material. To neglect this precaution, or to wash a new frock together with an older one, is to court failure, for the "dress" spoils your lather and makes a seam that settles on the fabric.

Dry Quickly

To be on the safe side, cool your hot soapy lather before you dip your frock or blouse into it. It should not feel hot to your hands, only warm. Use good soap, or soap-flakes to make your lather, and don't stint it. If the water is hard, soften it by adding a little borax. Don't rub a delicate fabric, unless it is on a specially soiled part, just squeeze it in the lather till it looks fresh and clean. Then rinse it in three waters, and again, if it is a delicate fabric, squeeze the water out instead of wringing. You may ladder woven silk by wringing. Dry any coloured frock or blouse as quickly as you can, but never in the sun, or you will get faded patches.

Every new frock or blouse has a crisp look that you will want to regain. Thin hot starch will give the necessary stiffness to gingham and the stouter tub-cottons, and if you have put a little borax in the last rinsing water you will find you get a better finish with the iron. If you like, dip linens also in very thin hot starch, but a well-ironed linen looks well without artificial stiffening. To give back "body" to silks you can add a few lumps of sugar to the rinsing water.

Points About Pressing

The good looks of a home-washed frock depend a lot upon its treatment on the ironing-board. Shake the garment into shape, when nearly dry enough to press, and roll it up tightly in a towel. If the frock has been starched, press it with a hot iron, while still very damp, and on the right side. If the material is organdie muslin, press it very damp, first under a cloth, and then directly on its surface, and it will regain its original delightful crispness.

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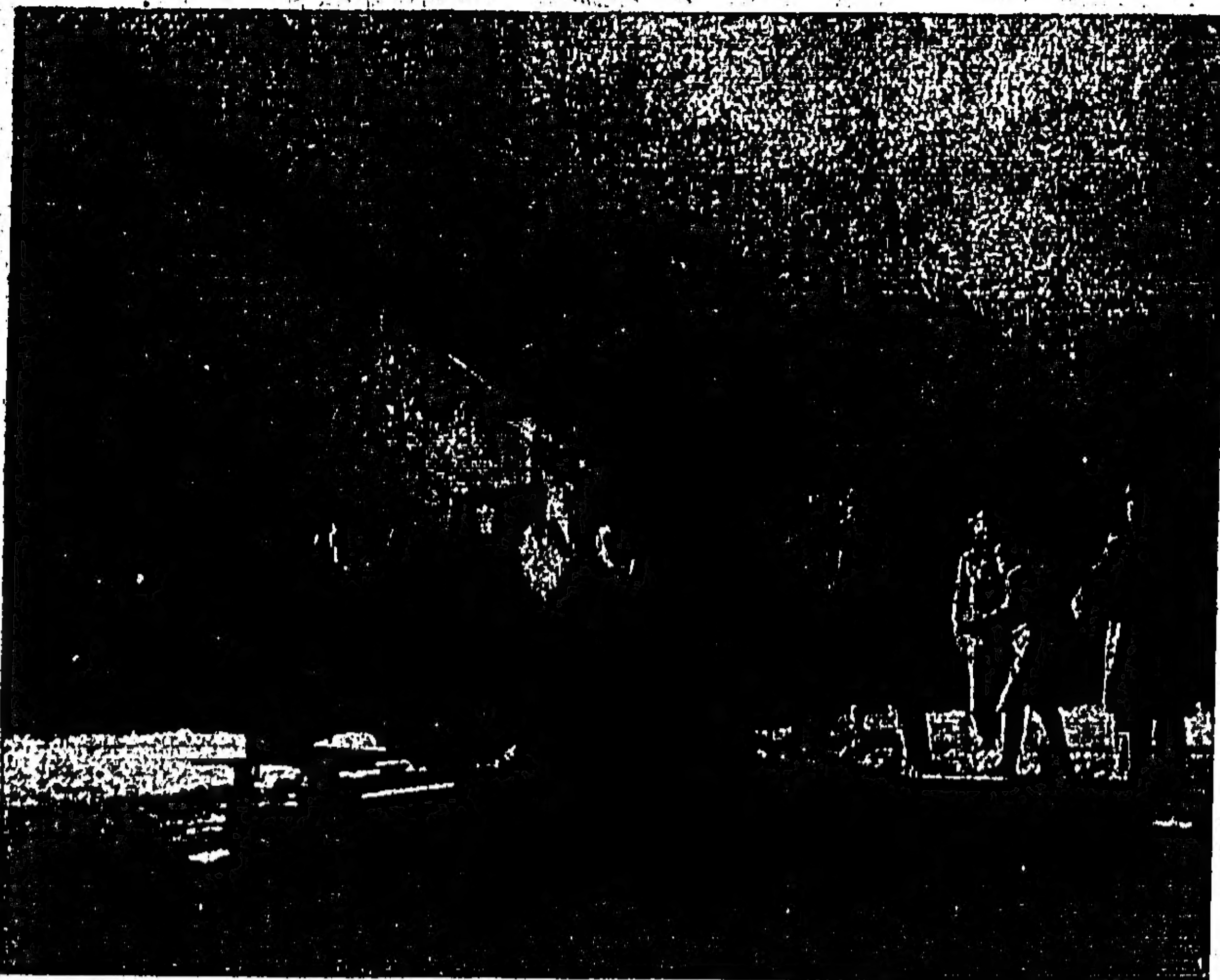
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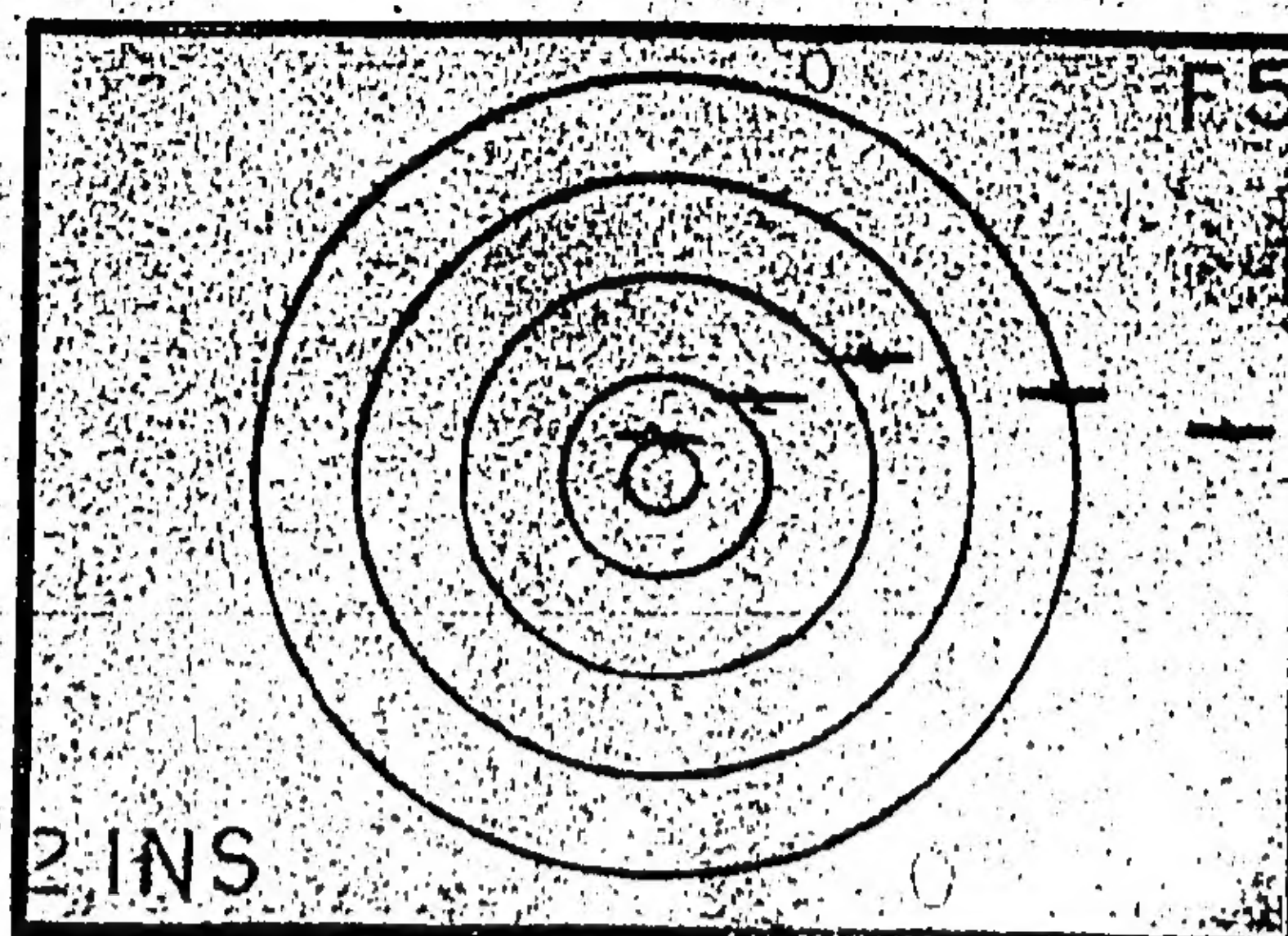
A striking picture taken in Hydo Park recently when anti-aircraft gunners were preparing to play their part in the defence of London.



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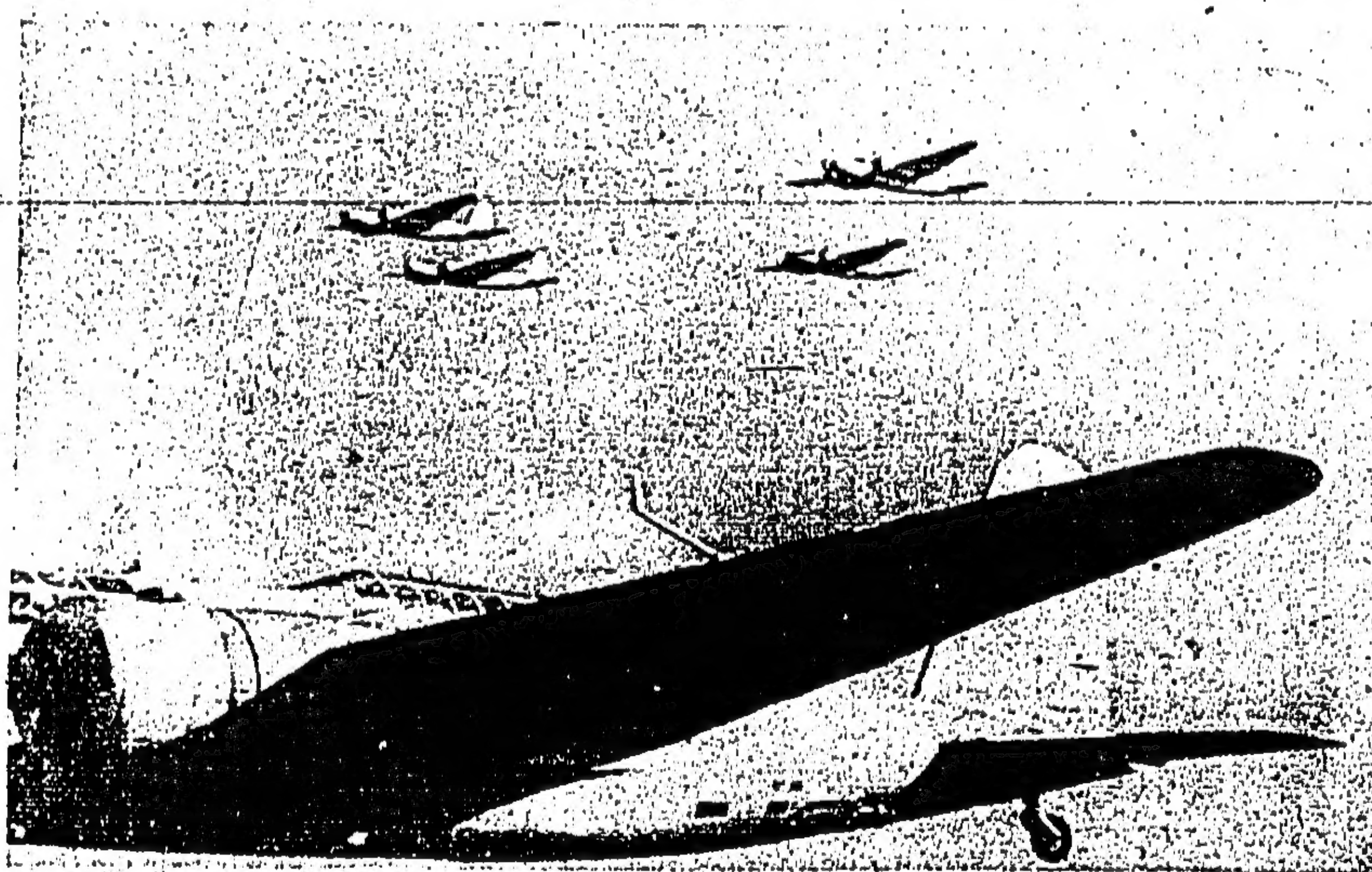
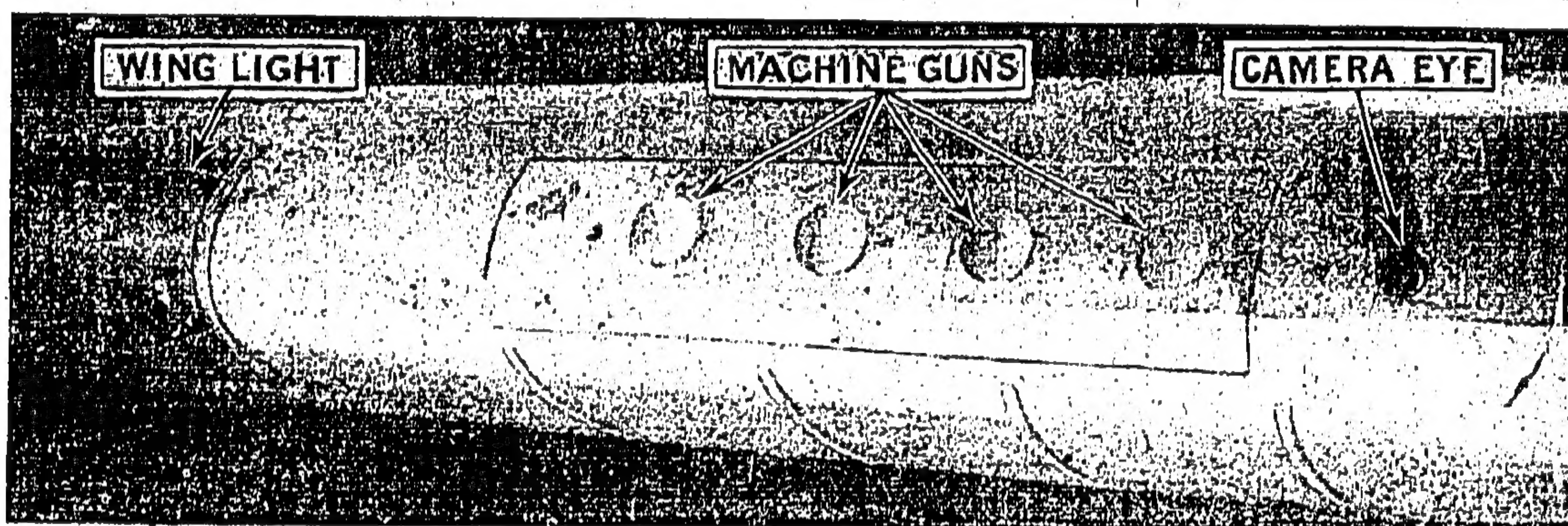
Countess Barbara Mutton von Haugwitz-Reventlow, heiress to a fortune, dashes up the steps to Villa Lo Smeraldo, one of Capri's most luxurious spots, which she has rented for the summer. The Countess is one of the island's leading social lights.



PICTURES OF HOW AIR WAR TACTICIANS KNOW WHEN A PLANE IS SHOT DOWN.

ABOVE: An example of what the camera in the wing saw. From photographs like this, the men involved in air battles can tell if they hit their target. Remember, the camera never lies.

BELOW: Front view of an aircraft wing, showing position of machine guns and the camera that sees along their line of fire.



Newest type Japanese Army bombing planes, equipped with retractable landing gear, used in the raids on Chungking, the Chinese Capital. Japanese bombers no longer wear camouflage, as was the case during the early days of the Sino-Japanese hostilities. The Rising Sun is painted on the wing of the plane.—South China Photo Service.

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Shortly before the Great War Childers, after a cruise in the Dulcibella off the German coast, said he had discovered details of a German plan to invade the East coast of England.

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OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

Quadruplets in Canton

A telegram from Dr. L. A. Khan in Canton last night stated that a woman gave birth to four babies in the Pak Hoi Tung Hospital yesterday.

Two of the newly born infants are males and the others females. Further details of this interesting occurrence are expected later.

ARMS EMBARGO Drafting A New Formula

Washington, Sept. 23. Senator Kefauver, Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, today called upon those members of the Committee favouring a repeal of the arms embargo, or who are not committed either way on the question to consider the drafting of a formula embodying President Roosevelt's proposals or what they believe should be included in the neutrality bill.

Senator Kefauver's hope that the Committee will prepare a bill for consideration early next week, but if the bill is not reported upon by Monday, the start of the debate may be delayed until late in the week.—United Press.

Trade With Belgierents

Washington, Sept. 23. The draft of the tentative revision formula will prohibit United States ships from conducting trade in any manner with Belgierents under penalty of \$50,000 fine and five years imprisonment.

On the basis of a United Press compilation, which is not yet complete, the Administration's programme appears assured at this stage.—United Press.

Reaction To Italy

Washington, Sept. 23. Responsible circles reflected their appreciation of Signor Mussolini's peace activity, but indicated that they regarded the time had passed when important neutral countries like Italy and the United States could prevent a major war. They also indicated that they considered Germany and the Anglo-French troops are engaged in a conclusive test of their major strength in which the Polish issue is a relatively minor aspect.—United Press.

Dies Committee

Washington, Sept. 23. Mr. D. H. Dubrowsky, formerly a leading Soviet worker in the United States, told the Dies Committee that Russia had collected more than enough money in America to finance her propaganda campaigns here. One scheme involved the collection of insurance and estates of deceased Russian-born Americans. Payments by American insurance companies aggregate at least one million dollars annually, which goes into Mr. Dubrowsky's pocket. (Secret Russian Police) forces the Russian relatives of the deceased to make Powers of Attorney to Charles Rech, attorney, who, Dubrowsky charged, collects the fund on behalf of the Soviet Government.—United Press.

Roosevelt And Third Term

New York, Sept. 23. Mr. Alfred Landon, Republican Presidential nominee, says President Roosevelt should announce that he does not want a third term as President and that he will not accept the nomination even if it is offered. "Such a statement would be the greatest contribution Mr. Roosevelt could make in the present troubled situation."

Mr. Landon does not oppose President Roosevelt's neutrality programme if it will keep the United States out of war, but he said the third term issue is such a serious affair that it is not fair to ask either the Democrats or Republicans to abandon their Party politics now.

"Something far more important than mere Party considerations are at stake," Mr. Landon is quoted as saying. "The President should facilitate the task before Congress by taking the step suggested."

At Hyde Park President Roosevelt declined to commit himself until he had seen the full text of the proposal.—United Press.

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE

Mr. Alfred Morris Resigns From Organisation

Mr. Alfred Morris, Director of Ambulance and Brigade Commissioner, announced on Saturday that he had severed his connection with St. John Ambulance Brigade.

Mr. Morris tendered his resignation some months ago, but on the outbreak of war in Europe he withdrew it.

The friction, of which Mr. Morris's resignation is the culmination, arose early this year with the appointment by His Excellency the Governor of an Executive Committee to control the administration of the Brigade. It was in May that Mr. Morris first tendered his resignation, but which he later withdrew.

Mrs. R. Langley, Corps Secretary, has also resigned.

WARSAW'S AWFUL 24 HOURS: GUNS KILL CHURCH-GOERS

While the Poles claim that the biggest battle of the war is being fought between Warsaw and Modlin, the Nazis say that the decisive struggle took place recently in the bed of the Vistula near the capital, after which insignificant remnants of the defenders escaped into the marsh lands.

Neutral persons who have made their way from Warsaw to Denmark testify to the parous conditions under which the brave garrison is holding out against unrelenting attacks. The Warsaw Radio described yesterday as the worst day of the siege with over 1,000 killed.

The Germans are withdrawing a large proportion of their forces to the Western Front to meet the menace of the French and British troops.

The Soviet army is pressing on towards the line running roughly north and south through Warsaw which will be the extent of their territorial gain. Little opposition has been met but the Red Army claims to have taken a large number of prisoners and equipment.

London, Sept. 24. A broadcast from beleaguered Warsaw says that the last 24 hours have been the most dreadful of all the 20 days of siege. The artillery barrage which began yesterday afternoon was still proceeding. It is estimated that more than 100 guns are concentrating their fire on the capital.

Despite the bombardment many people ventured out to church this morning. A number were killed and wounded.

There have been 1,000 casualties in the last 24 hours but "our spirit remains unbroken," the message states.—Reuter Bulletin.

Troops Move Along Line

A communiqué states the movements of troops towards the demarcation line continued according to plan, while naval forces renewed the bombardment of the Polish positions on the Hel Peninsula.

It is also stated the number of Polish deserters from the Warsaw front is increased.—Reuter.

German Communiqué

London, Sept. 24. The German High Command in a statement alleges the Poles aimed to occupy Danzig and East Prussia and make the latter a province of Poland before the war.

Half a million prisoners and 1,200 guns and enormous materials were captured, while the Polish air force was smashed with small loss to the German air force.—Reuter Bulletin.

Hospitals Hit

The Warsaw Radio states that heavy shelling of the centre of the city has destroyed three hospitals filled with wounded. The German attack on the right bank of the Vistula near the city was repulsed. There is fierce fighting at Modlin, and evidence of the strength of the Polish resistance is given in a German communiqué which admits their forces were forced to retreat from the suburbs of Warsaw after a reconnaissance command under was wounded.—Reuter Bulletin.

Soviet Advance

Moscow, Sept. 24. A Red Army communiqué says the Soviet forces have advanced westward via Bialystok and Brest-Litovsk and now towards the line of demarcation. The liquidation of the remnants of the Polish Army is still proceeding.—Reuter Bulletin.

Non-Germanic Elements

Paris, Sept. 23. The Polish Embassy here today declared that the Poles refuse to accept partition that leaves the line of demarcation. The liquidation of the remnants of the Polish Army is still proceeding.—Reuter Bulletin.

This demarcation gives Russia most of the Galician oilfields and allows Germany a continuous coastline on the Baltic Sea as far as Memel, besides Teschen, the Upper Silesian steel and textile industries and the whole of Posen granaries and forests.

"There is no provision for a buffer State," a spokesman of the Polish Embassy said. "We are convinced that Germany has handed over the biggest share of Poland to the Russians because they have realised there are so many non-Germanic racial groups in it that the German Government anticipated an unending source of trouble there."

The Germans and Russians are using different tactics within the occupied zones. The Germans take the Poles prisoner, forcing them to work at the point of the bayonet; the Russians are sending in Communist propagandists, releasing the Poles trying to win them over to their side.

Unofficial reports received in Paris state that despite German giving Galicia to Russia, under a separate agreement they will mutually exploit the oilfields.—United Press.

German Supplies

London, Sept. 24. Aviation experts believe Germany's losses in aeroplanes in Poland, reported to be over 400, are a poor tribute to the quality of the planes and efficiency of the pilots, considering Germany's vast superiority in numbers, writes military correspondent.

The Russian position in the Polish oilfields and the barrier of Rumania's frontier evokes much speculation regarding Germany's oil resources, and it is known German experts calculated she would need a million to eighteen million tons annually in a war, which she produces about three million extracted from coal.

It is doubtful whether Russia is able to supply much, considering her own internal demands, hence the rumours that Germany is preparing to invade Hungary, with Rumania's annual production of seven million tons as her ultimate objective.

Western Activity

Tokyo, Sept. 24. A Berlin dispatch to the Night Night Shimbun says that Germans have concentrated 70 divisions comprising 1,000,000 men along the

Japanese Start Hunan Drive Mator Battle

HUNAN, Sept. 24. JAPANESE troops driving a triple wedge into the 100-kilometres front in north-eastern Hunan continued their rapid, southward advance as 60 divisions of the Chinese Central Army forces under command of General Kuan Lin-cheng were fully retreating towards Changsha.

Intense aerial activity was again displayed by Japanese Army and Navy bombers.

Preceded by an intense artillery barrage, Japanese shock troops waded waist-deep into the swollen Sinsiang River to attack the Chinese positions on the south bank on Saturday.

Two almost simultaneous crossings were effected, one at a point where the two Hankow-Canton Railway crosses the Sinsiang River and other 25 kilometres further westward.

Another Japanese column is advancing southward from Tungchong, about 40 miles south-east of Yochow at the southern tip of Hupoh.

As this three-pronged frontal attack began from the north, a surprise flanking movement was launched near the mouth of the Hsiang-kang River, 40 miles north of Changsha, threatening the Hankow-Canton Railway, the main Chinese avenue of retreat. The railway is expected to be cut to-day.

This flanking attack is believed to be the most daring in the 20-month-old Sino-Japanese warfare.

Because of the shallowness of Tungting Lake, the landing force was transported by 75 kilometres in barges. The landing force, forming a veritable barge armada of several hundred shallow-draft vessels, left Yochow on the northern outlet of Tungting Lake at sundown on Friday.

Navy escorts also were handicapped by the shallowness only being able to use small vessels. By the light of a half moon this bizarre fleet advanced cautiously southward avoiding mine-fields and uncharted shoals.

The armada reached the entrance to the Sinsiang River on Saturday morning. Thirty precious minutes were spent at the entrance, searching in pitch darkness for the 20-metre-wide outlets of the river hidden by rushes.

Finally, the vital entrance was found barges advancing through a hail of Chinese bullets to the designated landing point.

In a 20-minute engagement, Japanese secured a foothold whence a march was immediately started along the Hankow-Canton Railway. The distance covered by barges was 76 kilometres.

The theatre of operations in this Japanese offensive extending 250 kilometres east to west and 100 kilometres north to south is the largest since the march upon Hankow while it is also the first large-scale Japanese operation since the fall of Nanchang in March, this year.—Domei.

Motor Boats Sunk

Changsha, Sept. 24. A concerted attack was launched by Japanese land, naval and air forces in north Hunan yesterday.

Japanese on the north bank of the Sinsiang River made repeated attempts to cross the river but were repelled. Meanwhile, Japanese blue-tinted motor boats, armed with machine-guns, made persistent efforts to land at Luchuehsien, outside the mouth of the Sinsiang River about 15 miles south of Yoyang, and Yinglin, about ten miles north of Sinsiang. Over thirty Japanese motor boats were sunk in the abortive landing at Luchuehsien.—Central News.

Major Drive Under Way

Chungking, Sept. 24. A major battle is at present raging on the shores of Tungting Lake, where Japanese land, air and naval forces yesterday launched a combined offensive against the Chinese lines in northern Hunan, according to a Chinese report received here.

The Japanese are said to be attempting a drive south toward Changsha. As the Japanese land force launched the attack on the Chinese positions on the north bank of the Sinsiang River in the vicinity of the Canton-Hankow Railway south of Yochow, the report continues, other Japanese columns escorted by warships and aircraft attempted to go round the Chinese left flank, by the Tungting Lake.

One body of Japanese troops is reported to have landed on the south bank of the Sinsiang River to threaten the Chinese defenders there, while another body claimed to have landed at Yinglin, north of Sinsiang, half way between the Chinese front lines and Changsha.

All day 12 Japanese planes are said to have bombed the Chinese positions in the vicinity of the Sinsiang River at Yinglin and Sinsiang. At the same time a large number of Japanese aircraft extensively bombed cities in north-west Hunan.—Reuter.

Chungshan Quiet

Chungshan, Sept. 23. Japanese troops who invaded Taiwan and Shaoyn via Wangmoon, north-east of Shekhi, failed to make any progress during the last two days. A withdrawal of Japanese

CHINESE REFUGEE RELIEF

Chungking, Sept. 24. The reclamation of 100,000 acres of wasted but cultivable land in northern Szechuan by 30,000 refugees will be carried out by order of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek. Details of the project are being mapped out by the newly-organized land reclamation bureau.

The bureau has at its disposal \$1,040,280. All the state-owned reclaimed land is to be distributed at approximately 17 acres to each refugee family of five persons. Used land owned by local farmers will be bought at a price to be fixed by a land committee and similarly distributed among the refugees, who will be tenants of the government.

After the refugees have settled down in their new colony, it will be six months before there will be any produce from the land. During this period they will be supported by the government. This will cost the land reclamation bureau \$400,000.

No efforts will be spared to make the refugee colony a model one. These will include the development of communication with the rest of the province, the installation of telephone services in the more important villages, and the establishment of health clinics and schools.

The training of the refugees in improved methods of farming will be the task of the provincial agricultural improvement bureau, which will have a branch office at the colony, while experts of the provincial co-operative commission will promote the organization of co-operative societies.—Central News.

from Taiwan and Shaoyn is reported though 800 Japanese remain at Tawangtao and Shanchowang. Off the Wangmoon coast four Japanese warships and six armed trawlers remain. They fired on the coast occasionally to test the strength of the Chinese defence.

The number of Japanese air raids has also been reduced since Friday. Early this morning two squadrons of Japanese planes flew over the area between Shekhi and Wangmoon and machine-gunned the Chinese positions, but no bombs were dropped.

Due to recent Japanese bombings a Chinese report estimates that well over 70 per cent. of the civilian houses at Taiwan, Shaoyn, Kung-mei and Luchueh were destroyed with many thousands of homeless destitutes.

The long distance bus service between Shekhi and Macao has been restored and some refugees have even returned to Shekhi following the improvement in the situation.

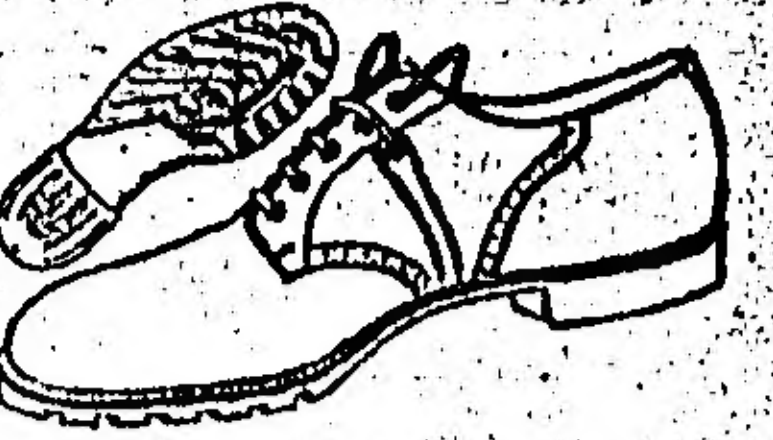
Martial Law Enforced

Shekhi, Sept. 23. Martial law is still in force here, and communication by towboats to other parts of the province is still disconnected, but this afternoon it is possible for those towboats to resume sailings to Sze Yop districts.—Special.

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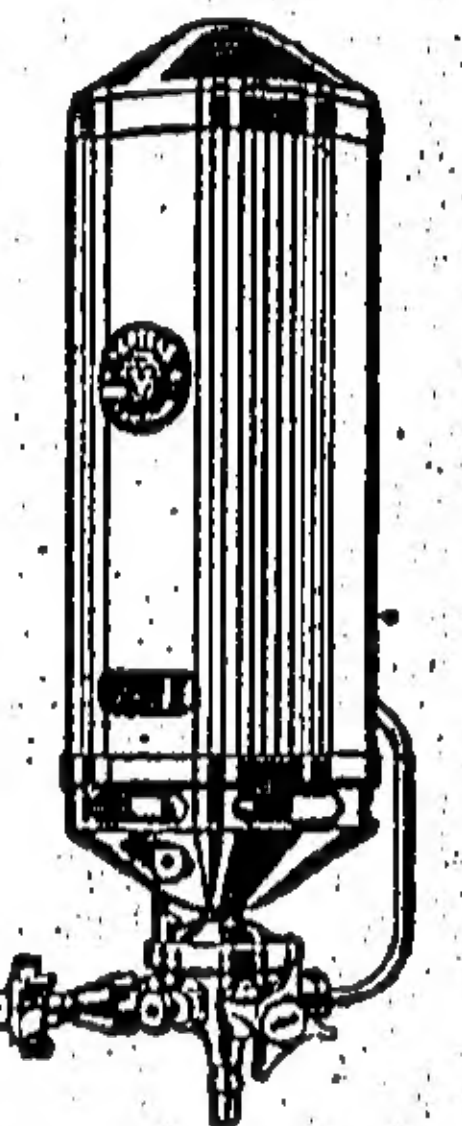
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ACROSS

- Do not have
- Charitable gifts
- To final outcome
- Expulsion of
- Trifling
- Small days
- Shelter for pigeons
- Winter sportman
- Church dignitary
- Limbs
- Heretic poetry
- Circle
- Picture of speech
- Aluminate of
- Palm oil
- Animals
- Form of knitting
- Take by violence
- Conjunction
- Compound of iron
- Decanter (French)
- One of Hindu deities
- House of body
- Disgraceful
- Unlawful
- Unusual
- West-Indian tree
- Short letter
- Employer
- Old Roman plateau
- Exaggeration of beauty
- Support for pier
- Short sleep

DOWN

- Chicago district
- Cap of official rank
- Slit of corn
- Bugary strap
- Port of moor
- Onion
- Shout in sea
- Part of mouth
- Machine part and
- Net
- Touch slightly
- Touch at boundary
- Shoe
- Waiting saint of
- Patron saint of
- Harvey
- Waiting stick
- Terminals
- 77
- Roman emperor
- Commoner smaller
- Drug for water
- Shed up
- Shaman
- Subject to acids
- Whitening
- Order
- Day something
- West Indian food
- Lowest title
- Soft slowly and
- 60
- Oriental continues
- 68
- 69
- Stage to journey
- Half-em

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HAIPHONG-HANOI FOOTBALL TEAM'S THIRD DRAWN MATCH IN HONGKONG

World's Record Putt Of 220 Yards

SYDNEY, (UPI). — The world's record putt is claimed by J. L. Coleman, playing over the Barraba (New South Wales) golf course. He used his putter at the second hole—220 yards—and holed out in one.

The shot is vouched for by the club's president, L. J. Clifton, who was playing with Coleman at the time.

"He has a kink about that hole," said Clifton. "He always plays it with his putter to keep out of trouble. This time the tactics got him into trouble at the 19th hole. The drinks were on him."

Harbour Department Succeeds

Yesterday's Bowls At Police R.C.

His Excellency the Governor was the guest of the Commissioner of Police, Mr. Perdue, and the Police Club when he took a team there for a friendly game of lawn bowls yesterday. His Excellency was narrowly defeated 21-19.

Mr. Justice R. E. Lindell, Sir A. H. MacGregor, J. Deakin and His Excellency the Governor (skip), played C. G. Perdue, J. S. Riddell, J. R. MacWalter and J. C. S. Fender.

GASCOMBE O'SULLIVAN CUP
The final of the Gascombe O'Sullivan lawn bowls competition was also played on the Police R.C. green yesterday between the Harbour Department and the Public Works Department. The former team had a runaway victory, winning 28-9.

P.W.D. could only score six heads and at one time they were down 5-18 after the fourteenth head.

P.W.D.—R. P. Shaw, G. S. Craver, C. B. Robertson and A. Brooksbank. Harbour Dept.—J. Hosen, K. C. Hamilton, G. Stephens and W. Hillyer.

YUGO-SLAV SURPRISES JOHN BROMWICH IN DAVIS CUP MATCH

That cannonading one heard Aug. 24 around the Longwood Cricket Club was not a European crisis shifting to our own backyard, but merely Ferenc Puncce, Yugoslavia's one-man tennis army, dropping a few bombs into the increasingly tense international Davis Cup situation, which is rapidly nearing the breaking point. The opening day's premier conflicts between the European winners and the Australians stunned the sparse crowd as Puncce turned in a four-set victory over John E. Bromwich, the man considered to take Donald Budge's former amateur pedestal, the scores being, 6-2, 8-6, 0-6, 6-2.

Significance of the match could be heard on three fronts. First, it completely botched the theory that Australia would whitewash the Yugoslavs as the majority had expected, and now the boys from the Balkan have a slight, admittedly very slight though, chance to eke through with a series victory that would startle the tennis world as it has not been asked for many years.

Second, it gave the United States Davis Cuppers renewed energy in their practice sessions, furthering the previous contention that, although the Aussie delegation this year possesses probably the strongest doubles team ever, their singles staff is not of the unbeatable type. Even Bromwich could be taken into camp by inspired play.

MITIC INEXPERIENCED
Third, it marked the first defeat for the Aussie star since January, when Bromwich lost to Quist in the Australian final, and the second defeat since last year's Davis Cup matches with America, when Bromwich lost to Budge.

The series stood at one all at the end of the first day as young Demeter Mitic was found too inexperienced to cope with the relentless attack of Adrian Quist, who amassed a 6-0, 6-4, 6-3 triumph. Mitic's second experience on grass courts (his first was at Wimbledon this year) lacked polish and effectiveness that was a result of his inability to cope with the bounce and the pace of the ball.

On many occasions the 21-year-old Yugoslav was caught napping because of misjudgment, as Quist mixed his pace and shots deliberately to widen the winning margin.

MATCH OF SUMMER
But the "match of the summer" was the Puncce-Bromwich encounter

Visitors Lead 3-1 At One Stage But Concede Two Goals In The End

(By "Abby")

The combined Haiphong-Hanoi soccer team completed their series of three official matches in the Colony by playing another drawn game, this time against the Rest of the Colony, on the Club ground yesterday. The final score was 3-3 after the visitors had led by 1-0 in the first half and 3-1 at one stage of the second.

It was obvious from the commencement of the encounter that their week of practice in Hongkong conditions had improved the visitors' play tremendously. Always a yard faster on the ball than the local men, they proved extremely clever in their dribbling and short passing, and once more demonstrated that when the opportunity offers they can spot. All their three goals were gems, especially the first and second.

In comparison to the visitors, the locals appeared slow and their play suggested (as only to be expected, perhaps, in view of the earliness of the season) that they have not yet got into their stride. Yet credit must be given them for the way in which they fought back in the second half, and Freddie Fowler is to be complimented on his "hat trick" which saved the match for Hongkong.

It would not be unflattering to the Hongkong forward line to say that Fowler was the only man who looked dangerous, and apparently sensing this, the Haiphong-Hanoi defenders always had a man marking him; but his leading method, plus his fine headwork, enabled him to find the net.

FAR TOO RAGGED

The Hongkong forward line was a ragged unit all through. Both the wingers were weak, and though Ernie Strange and David Leonard did a great deal of splendid midfield work, they were far from effective when attack was concerned. The defence played up well, however, and may consider themselves to have performed with credit in keeping the nifty Haiphong forwards down to three goals.

The off-side traps set by Blackbourne and Bone invariably succeeded and many were the movements which were halted through the Haiphong-Hanoi forwards rushing into these traps. The intermediates worked

All Three Matches Have Been Drawn

The visiting Haiphong-Hanoi footballers have drawn all the three matches which they have played in the Colony, as follows:

Drew with Eastern 4-4.
Drew with Combined Chinese 2-2.
Drew with Rest of Hongkong 3-3.

hard and on the whole shone rather more in defence than in attack.

For three-quarters of the match the visiting defenders succeeded in keeping the Hongkong forwards at bay, but in the closing minutes when the local men applied pressure, the same confidence which the visitors had shown early on was missing. Sammy Tsang in goal was confident, as he was at the start, but his failure to either shoot in the second half led to Hongkong's first goal. A long punt ahead by one of the local forwards slipped past him for a corner, and from the resultant kick Fowler bent him to the jump and headed the ball into the net. Up to this stage Hongkong seldom looked like scoring—apart from the missed penalty in the first half—but this goal which placed them on level terms, they settled down into a more cohesive team.

NIFTY FORWARDS

While the visiting half-backs were never really prominent, they had little difficulty in eluding the methodical attacks of the Hongkong forwards until the latter part of the second half. It was up forward, however, that the visitors impressed most. First, they hung the ball out to the wings in fine style. They made several dangerous breakaways but these were nullified by the inability of the outside right to the rebound, the goal was disallowed, probably because Gardner, after taking the kick, was left in an off-side position.

Crossing over with the visitors leading by a goal, Hongkong came more into the picture. Fowler put the locals on level terms with a header from a perfect corner kick by Flanders, but the Haiphong-Hanoi side scored two more goals through Thong and Yung to lead 3-1.

SECOND TIME SUCCEEDS
In one of the rare Hongkong raids, Fowler was fouled in the area and took the kick himself. His shot went straight to Tang, who however, failed to hold the ball and from the rebound Fowler scored his second goal.

Shortly afterwards Fowler added his third from close in, thus equalising the scores. In the closing minutes Hongkong had more of the exchanges but the final whistle blew with no further scoring.

Hongkong:—Duncan; Blackbourne and Bone; Bell, Bright and Honniball; Gardner, D. Leonard, F. Fowler, E. Strange and Flanders.
Haiphong-Hanoi:—Sammy Tsang; Can and Binh; Cheng Ching-nan, Thon and Huan; Lee, Thong, Tan, Hoi and Yung.

BASEBALL PITCHERS' AVERAGES

New York, Sept. 23. The following were the leading pitchers' averages to date:
American League.—Sundra (Yankees) won 11 lost 0, Donald won 13 lost 3, Hoving (Red Sox) won 11 lost 3, Grove won 14 lost 4, Ruffing won 21 lost 7.
National League.—Derringer won 23 lost 7, Walters won 20 lost 10, Bowman won 13 lost 8, French (Cubs) won 14 lost 7, McGee and Thompson won 10 lost 8, United Press.



Lady Northcote scored her first win on the local turf on Saturday when her pony Devonian (ridden by Don Black) won the Vase Handicap at Happy Valley. She is seen here leading in her pony after the race. His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, is on the right of the picture.—Mee Cheung.

Football Provides Relaxation

Good Attendances On September 2

Considering the state of affairs in Europe the attendances all over the country on September 2, need not be sneered at as they were about 350,000. Indeed, many thousands sought the football grounds for their relaxation. Unquestionably the headline side of the day were the Spurs. Against West Bromwich Albion they achieved a remarkable win by the score of 4-0. The match was a real football match, and the old Arsenal and Ted Drake had a wonderful game, getting four of his goals. Bryn Jones, although he didn't score, was in £14,000 fettle, and once more he began to look like the player we all know him to be. Blackpool's home performance against the Wolves leads us to believe that they will realise the hopes held for them last year.

Perhaps the best showing in the First Division was that of Blackburn against the holders of the League championship—Everton. This draw should give them encouragement in this, their first season after promotion. Brentford had a capital win over Huddersfield Town and never looked like being beaten. It is said to report that Harley, the Liverpool right-back, was ordered off the field in the game with Chelsea. Not only was he ordered off, but two spectators who had run on to the field had to be ordered off, too, by the police. Liverpool, in spite of this, won by the only goal, but it was an ill-fought match.

BETTER THINGS

Turn to better things. Little Trawler Town side—Grimsby—had a good home victory over Preston North End. They won by two clear goals, and Freddie Howe got them both. Newcastle got eight against Swansea at Newcastle (Bowden did "hat-trick"). Butournemouth and Bournemouth tied by running into double figures at the expense of Northampton. They had the grand total of ten to their credit, scoring seven of them in the second half. Kirkman helped himself to three.

Portsmouth F.A. Cup holders do not provide us with good reading. They went thoroughly under to Bolton Wanderers. Hubble and Howe got the Wanderers' two goals, and they showed that Pompey's defence is not its old dogged self at the moment. For a Third Division team to have 20,000 watching them with this appalling tension hanging over us is a fact to be recorded. Cardiff were the favourites but they did not give their supporters much pleasure, for Notts County scored four times in their twice. Derby County had a win 1-0 over Aston Villa, but it wasn't their victory so much as Rutherford's, keeping for the Villa that deserves the praise. Once he saved magnificently at point-blank range from Duncan.

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MACAO RACING ENTRIES

The following are the entries and handicaps for the events of the October Meeting of the Macao Jockey Club, which will be held in Macao on Sunday, October 1:

The Colowan Handicap. Five furlongs.—Country Flower (135), Courcour Bleu (140), Gold Clause (140), Hohenfels (135), Morning Flip (135), Shanghai 4 (152) Victory Life (105).

The Praia Grande Handicap. Five furlongs.—Cloudy Star (160), Double Up (148), Eagle (159), Iron Knight (161) and National Triumph (159).

The Lappa Handicap. (First Section). "E" class, six furlongs.—Cloudy Star (140), Eagle (140), Iron Knight (140), King's Parade (168), Lucky Eleven (165), Mac's Adventure (162), National Dignity (161), National Triumph (140) and Persian Cat (159).

The Porto Cerco Handicap. "D" class. Six furlongs.—Clowney (155), Diogenes (140), Double Chance (159), Gold Sovereign (144), King's Envoy (148), National Anthem (140), Sports Venture (142) and The Tigress (158).

The Stewards' Cup. One mile.—Country Flower (135), Courcour Bleu (135), Fairy Auk (140), Fairy Gusel (163), Gold Clause (135), Hogmanay (158), Hohenfels (135), Meadow Eve (135), Merry Maker (135), Morning Tip (135), Rothesay Bay (135), Shanghai 4 (140) and Victory Life (161).

The Lappa Handicap. (Second Section). "E" class. Six furlongs.—Bogey (155), Double Up (140), Dow-Jones (140), Gold Tower (140), Old Fashioned (155), The Buccaneer (155) and The Spirit of St. Louis (140).

The Consolation Stakes. Post entries. Half a mile.

In connection with the "Stewards' Cup" the fifth race on the programme, a special \$1. Sweep is being conducted.

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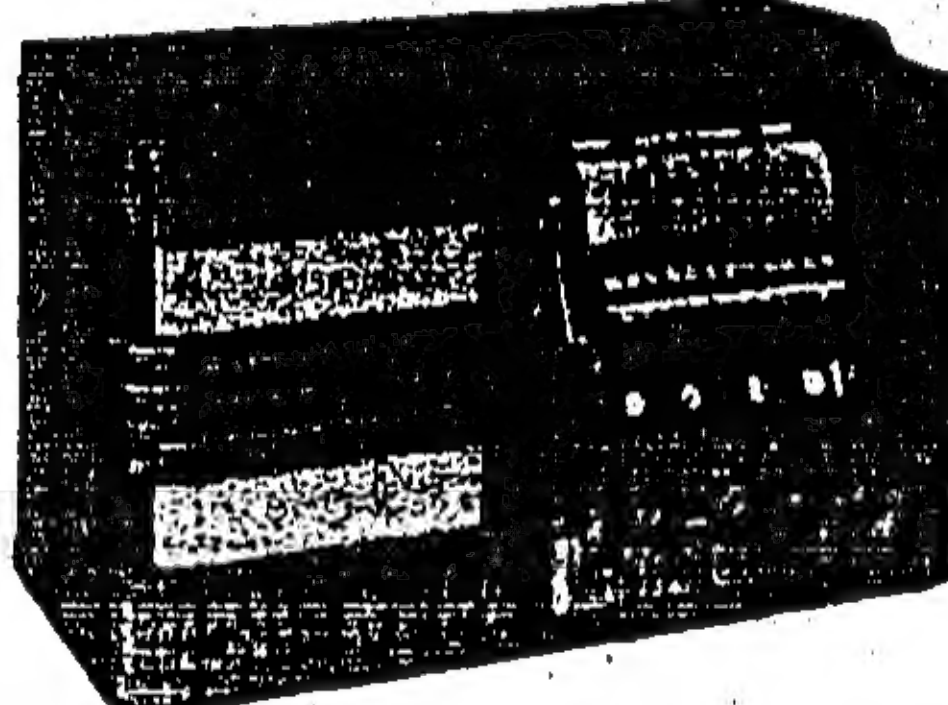
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2.15 Close down.

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8.0 Time, Weather and Announcements.

8.03 Puccini's "Madam Butterfly" Act III.

8.30 Concert Walzes.

8.45 Victor Silverster and His Ballroom Orchestra.

9.10 Studio—Comments on Recent Events.

9.15 London Relay—The News.

9.30 Hawaiian Selections.

9.40 Dance Music and Variety.

11.0 Close down.

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SHANGHAI DEFENCES

Shanghai, Sept. 24. Negotiations for a revision of the international defence plan in Shanghai are continuing at the instance of Japanese authorities.

In accordance with the agreement reached at the initial meeting of the commanders of foreign defence forces on September 14, the authorities of the Japanese Naval Landing Party have prepared a draft plan.

Representatives of the American, British and Italian garrisons, the Italian Consulate, the Shanghai Municipal Council, and the Japanese Naval Landing Party met again on Saturday at the Navy Club on North Szechuan Road to discuss the draft plan prepared by Japanese authorities. The meeting adjourned at noon.

Similar meetings will be continued with a view to reaching a final decision on the authority of the Shanghai Joint Defence Committee.—Domei.

Patrol by Japanese

Chungking, Sept. 24. Japanese troops are patrolling the area stretching from Kiangsi Road to Honan Road to the north of the Szechow Creek after the evacuation of the British "Tommys".

The sector remains quiet.—Central News.

number of dead being more than 4,500. Large quantities of war materials and munitions were captured.

More than 1,500 Shantung puppet troops recently mutinied and joined the Chinese.

In another part of the province more than a thousand puppet soldiers mutinied and killed 200 soldiers and officers of the Japanese.—International.

EMPIRE NEWS

INDIANS MAY VOTE IN SOUTH AFRICA

JOHANNESBURG.

It is reported that the Union Government is considering the granting of Parliamentary representation to Indians living in South Africa on similar lines to that enjoyed by natives.

The Indians, who have no vote at present, would elect Europeans to represent them.

The scheme is part of a general settlement of the Indian problem which is being considered by the Government. No round table conference will be held, but it is reported that the Minister of the Interior has signified his willingness to meet a delegation from India and discuss the matter.

The indications are that the Indian community would be more ready to accept the principle of residential segregation, if their commercial rights were safeguarded and they were granted an extension of political privileges.

7,000 Photographs of Mars.—Dr. Slipler, director of the Lowell Observatory, Arizona, announced recently, in Bloemfontein that he had taken there 7,000 photographs of the surface of Mars, many of them supporting his theories that vegetable life exists there. He said that his photographs had revealed every inch of the surface of the planet, and that he had noticed bright spots moving on the surface, which, he thought, must be cloud formations.

KENYA

REFUGEES RETURN TO ABYSSINIA

NAIROBI.

Abyssinians, who fled into Kenya during the Italian conquest of 1935-6, are to be repatriated following negotiations with the Italian authorities, who have agreed not to victimise the refugees.

A first batch of 100 refugees is returning shortly. They have volunteered to leave Kenya and the Government is providing transport as far as the border and adequate food supplies for the journey.

£20,000 Survey Plan.—Another contribution amounting to £20,000 to Kenya's development has been made by the Colonial Development Fund for a three years' programme of geological and topographical survey. A new staff of geologists and prospectors has been recruited, and seven areas have been selected between Lake Victoria and the coast.

Native Policy Criticised.—Lord Francis Scott, Chairman of the European Elected Members' Organisation, speaking in his constituency, said the Government had made a complete hash of the attempt to carry out de-stocking in the native reserves. Native policy and administration in Kenya had deteriorated to such a degree that the Government no longer had the respect of the native peoples.

"Oyez" Men Object To Amplifiers

TOWN CRIERS, rivals for championship honours at Lyme Regis, Dorset, recently combined to protest against loudspeaker competition at a luncheon preceding the contest.

Alderman R. W. Baker, the host, deplored the "creeping in" of the loudspeaker, and urged local councils to stop it.

Mr. S. L. Morris, Town Crier (Bodmin) said that in Cornwall it was an unwritten law for criers to demand fees from persons using loud-speakers and Mr. S. Brand (Bideford) declared that in five years there would be no town criers unless they united for their rights.

The championship was won by Mr. B. T. Johnson (Fowey, Cornwall), after a re-try by four competitors. Mr. W. Abbott (Lyme Regis), four times champion, was second.



"Strawberry Joe" Amoroso, centre, indicted as head of 200 guerrillas Louis (Lepke) Buchalter used to terrorize the New York garment industry, is escorted into court by his captor, Detective J. A. Thompson, left.

A HATED LEADER

Goebbels Rose To Fame By Jew Baiting

The following commentary on the European situation was broadcast by Z.B.W. last night:

Dr. Goebbels who is at the moment prominent in the news is the most bitter and vitriolic of the triumvirate in Germany. His power of scurrying his opponents, chiefly the Jews and the Bolsheviks, two terms which to him are related as cause to effect, is a form of compensation for his physical deformity. He is the only intellectual among the three, and for that reason is the most likely to be the first to go, since Hitler hates the scholars with almost the same sort of intensity as the first Emperor of China hated the literati, whose books he burned.

Goebbels obtained his Ph. D. in the University of Berlin under the guidance of and with the assistance of two Jewish professors. It was also said that his wife was the widow of a Jew. That, however, did not prevent him from expending all his oratorical powers on pouring scorn upon them. It was the surest and quickest way to power under Hitler. Many tried it, but Goebbels did it better, more bitingly and with greater literary power than anyone else; hence his position.

From his speeches one gets the impression that he has finally come to believe in what he is saying. Constant repetition has registered conviction, and so confronted with the new Russian-German pact it is impossible to believe that he, having learned the trick of denouncing Bolshevism, can now learn the new trick of praising it.

Public Dialect

Numerous pleasing stories go round Germany about Goering, whose loving of uniforms is a legitimate form of jest, but these about Goebbels usually reflect the dislike of the people for this man with a deformed mind.

Goebbels' companion in the campaign against the Jews is in quite a different category. There is some intellectual power in Streicher. Even the Germans squirm at and are rather ashamed of many of the stories and pictures that disfigure the pages of Der Sturmer, yet this paper is freely distributed and has special notice boards with glass covers, in every town and village in Germany where the whole paper can be read and studied publicly.

Nothing has done so much to discredit and disgrace the Nazi regime as the official approval and encouragement that is given to the circulation and to the exhibition of this salacious journal.

There is a difference of opinion about the translation of Hitler's recent speech. Those in Hongkong who understand German and who listened in direct the Danzig in the early hours of Wednesday morning say that there was no reference to a new and secret weapon such as a death ray, a new poison gas, or some form of germ warfare, but that the new weapon was the air arm which Germany had developed far beyond that of any other power, and that just as Britain was supreme on sea, so Hitler claimed that Germany was supreme in the air—a statement which is based evidently on ignorance of what Britain and France have achieved in the past two years.

His point was that if Britain continued to use her sea power so, he said, to starve German women and children, he would use his new force, the aeroplane, in which he claimed that his supremacy was unchallenged, to strike at Britain.

HE HAS £18 AND OWES A MILLION

CLAUD RONALD ANSON, of the St. Regis, Cork-street, W., a pioneer of private flying, faced creditors at London Bankruptcy Buildings recently with liabilities a million pounds and £18 10s. assets.

His failure, it was stated, had been caused by giving guarantees and backing bills on behalf of E. D. Winn and Co., Ltd., Government contractors, who failed for £2,000,000. Mr. Anson was the managing director.

Mr. V. Armstrong, Assistant Official Receiver, said that about half the liabilities would rank against the estate; assets were a £3 10s. book debt and jewellery valued at £15.

Mr. Anson had said that he joined the Army at the outbreak of war, was wounded three times, and after 1916 was confined to his bed for two years.

On recovering his health he joined the board of E. D. Winn and Co., Ltd. That company handled large contracts with the Air Ministry and other Government bodies. When it was wound up Mr. Anson, and his co-director, Sir Edward Every, were stated to have given personal guarantees to the company's creditors and backed bills involving many thousands of pounds.

In the last three years, Mr. Anson's only income had been director's fees and interest on loans, which had amounted to about £1,000 a year.

Mr. Percy Phillips, accountant, of Langham-street, W.C., was appointed trustee of the estate, to act with a committee of inspection.

A close friend of Mr. Anson said that Mr. and Mrs. Anson were among the pioneers of private flying. They used an aeroplane as others did a motor-car.

"REMARKABLE MAN"

Mr. Tim Wood was their private pilot for a long time and used to fly them all over England and many parts of Europe. They would land in such places as the frozen lake of St. Moritz and fields in the English countryside.

Their aeroplane, the S.T.10, was lost in the Timor Sea three years ago while on its way back to England after the London to Melbourne Air Race.

Tim Wood found himself obliged to land on a small coral reef in the south of the Indian Ocean.

He and his companions were picked up by a native fishing boat.

DISQUALIFIED ON EVE OF GRAND PRIX

STEWARDS of the Ulster Grand Prix motor-cycle race, which was held near Belfast recently, caused a surprise by deciding to enforce strictly the rule that in official practices the course must be covered at certain minimum speeds.

This resulted in the disqualification of six riders, among them E. R. Thomas, who was to have ridden a German machine. There were 51 starters.

Clung to Rock 400ft. Up Cliff

AS Mr. Bernard Voile, a Londoner, and his fiancée, Miss Kathleen Baker, of Whitmore Road, West Harrow, sat on the cliff-top at Ilfracombe recently their picnic basket, containing the girl's handbag, rolled over the edge.

Mr. Voile climbed down the cliff in an attempt to find the articles, but came to a sheer drop of 400ft. He tried to climb back. It was impossible and for an hour he clung to a rock.

Police and constables arrived, and Miss Baker saw them rescue her fiancée, who was in an exhausted condition.

"I'll never go cliff climbing again" Mr. Voile said on recovering. "It was terrifying."



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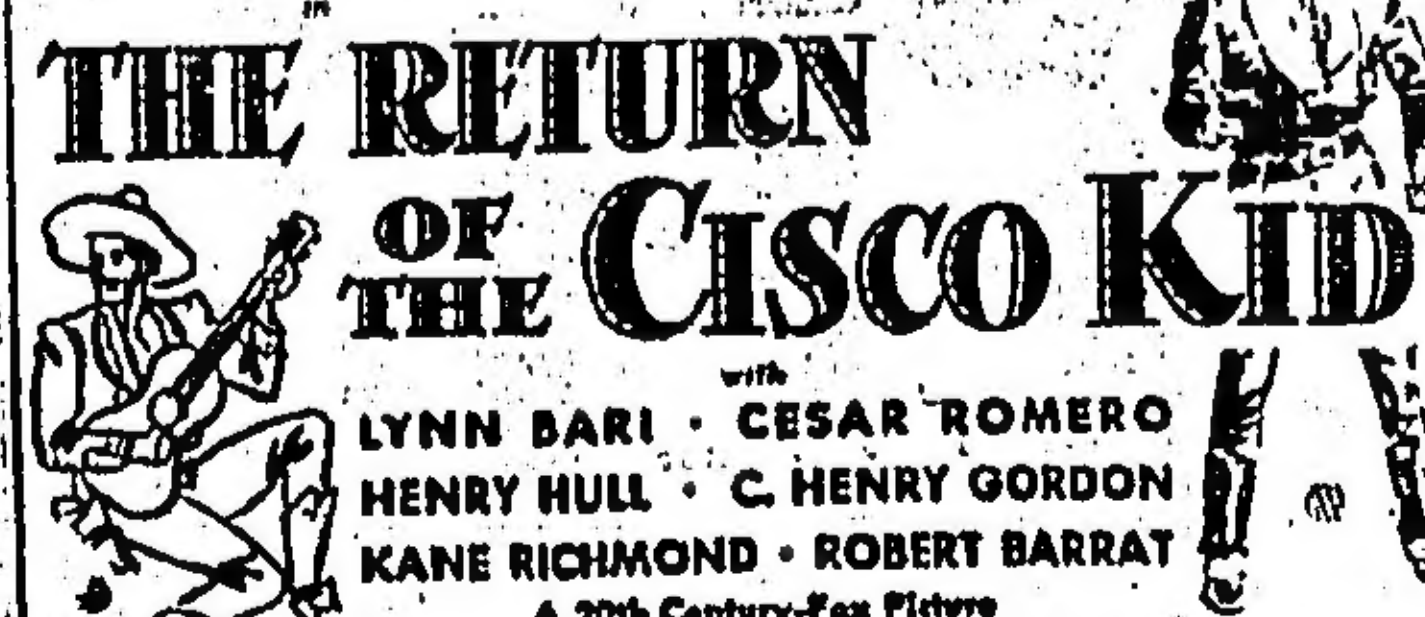
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Internee To Marry Soon

Pianee's Application For Release

ELSE Rudek (nee Kreutzberger), has applied to the Registry Office for a licence for her marriage to Otto Hans Ahrens, journalist.

The bridegroom-to-be is an internee at La Salle College, and an application is being made for his release for the wedding.

Other couples announcing their forthcoming wedding are: Mr. Timoteo Abelardo, musician, to Miss Soledad Wong, of Ashley Road, Kowloon.

Mr. Johnson Liu, merchant, to Miss Phoebe Tsok, of Prince Edward Road, Kowloon.

Mr. Lai Shou-tung, bank clerk, to Miss Wong Lai-sheung, of Perfection Place, Tai Hang.

CONFISCATION QUERY

Court Has No Jurisdiction Over Python

Something unique in Crown confiscation cases was heard before Mr. Hingworth at Kowloon Magistrate's Court when Lee Sing, 62, pedlar of Chinese medicinal plasters, was charged with cruelty to animals.

Inspector Rogers said as an attraction for prospective customers, Lee had several snakes in baskets. One, a small python was given a young chicken to mesmerize before swallowing it.

Inspector Rogers raised the question of confiscating the python as Lee might go elsewhere, he said, and do the same thing, but Mr. Hingworth replied that the law provided that the animal subjected to cruelty could be confiscated.

Inspector Rogers—But the chicken is inside the python.

Lee was fined \$10, or two weeks' imprisonment. If he is unable to pay the fine the Court will issue a distress warrant against the python.

NORTH POINT FIRE

Store Yard Suffers Extensive Damage

Considerable damage was done to goods stored in a matchbox when fire broke out in the store-yard of the Chinese Ministry of Communications at North Point on Saturday.

The blaze occurred at noon, and seven appliances from Hongkong fire stations answered the call. Hoses were played on the flames on all sides, but it was over an hour before the fire-fighters succeeded in getting control.

The matchbox, in which were stored miscellaneous goods, was totally destroyed. The goods suffered much damage from fire, heat and water.

Unofficial sources state that material in the store-yard is worth \$1,500,000.

Hundreds of people living in the vicinity watched the blaze, and rooftops were crowded.

BUMPED HIS HEAD

Man Dies After Quarrel In Wanchai Street

Following a squabble over a 50 cents mahjong debt, Yu Wai-tim, alias Tai Kan-lo, 28, is being held by the Police following the death of Yau Kam-hoi, 25, of 119 Lockhart Road.

It is alleged that Yu met Yau at 1 p.m. on Friday at the junction of Jaffe Road and Luan's Road and demanded payment of a debt of 50 cents owing as the result of a mahjong game. Yau had no money and Yu caught him by the legs and bumped his head on the ground several times then let him fall.

Yau's brother found him in a coma and on Saturday he was taken to the Queen Mary Hospital where he died from a fractured spine.

Yu was arrested yesterday in Wanchai.

Labour Sympathetic Chinese Return From Europe

Mr. Chu Hsueh-fan, Chinese employee's delegate to the 25th International Labour Conference, arrived in Hongkong last week after a successful publicity tour in Europe.

Mr. Chu said the results of the conference had been satisfactory. At the meeting a resolution was passed recognising the important contribution China's two years' war of resistance had made to international labour interests.

The resolution, which was passed unanimously by delegates of 35 countries, declared that the world of labour held the greatest sympathy for China and would extend its assistance to China. Boycott against Japan would be intensified.

According to Mr. Chu, the widespread boycott movement against Japan by labour circles throughout the world was largely attributable to the conference's resolutions.

Mr. Chu is making a short stay in Hongkong, drafting his report to the National Government.

Assistance For Students In War Area In China

Ten Chinese delegates to the World Christian Youth's Conference held at The Hague in July returned by the Athos II yesterday.

China's present cause and the plight of her people in the war were reported to the conference in great detail, according to Mr. Cheng Tien-chiao, one of the delegates.

Several resolutions concerning China were adopted at the conference. One advocated assistance to Chinese students forced out of school by the hostilities.

Aside from problems relating to Christianity, political, economic and diplomatic problems were also discussed, Mr. Cheng said.

According to Miss Liang Chu-ming, another delegate, the entire body of women delegates sent a joint telegram to President Roosevelt after the conference expressing appreciation of the American decision to abolish the 1911 Treaty of Commerce and Navigation with Japan and urging more positive aid to China.

Altogether 71 countries were represented. Germany, however, did not send any delegate.—Central News.

DANGEROUS DRIVING

British Soldier Advised To Plead Not Guilty

Sequel to a fatal accident in Repulse Bay Road on September 4, the appearance of Pte. Leslie Lansell, of the Middlesex Regiment, before Mr. Forrest at Central Magistrate's Court on Saturday, charged with dangerous driving.

Sub-insp. Clarke said Lansell was driving a small Army truck and had rounded a right hand bend well on his own side of the road, but did a right-angle turn to the left, struck the parapet on the side of the road and plunged down the hillside for 50 feet.

A soldier, who was a passenger on the truck, was killed instantly.

Mr. Forrest advised Lansell to plead not guilty, and adjourned the case to September 29. Lansell was remanded in military custody.

PARKING OFFENCE

R. M. C. Dobbs, of Imperial Airways, was fined \$20 by Mr. Forrest at Central Magistrate's Court on Saturday, for overtime parking in Chater Road.

Sub-insp. Clarke said that the car was left in Chater Road until September 2, when the Police took it to Central Station. Dobbs, on returning to the Colony from a short visit to Bangkok, found the car was not where he had left it, and reported that it had been stolen.

Mr. Lo Yu-hing reported that his car an Austin tourist, No. 3134 was stolen between 6.45 a.m. and 6.00 p.m. yesterday outside No. 31 Fuk Wah Street; later the car was recovered.

In Hongkong Mr. Su Man-wo, of 16 Staunton Street, reported the loss of his car, a Morris No. 2427, from the Hongkong and Yumati Ferry car park, between 11 p.m. on Saturday and 11 p.m. on Sunday, but his car, too, was recovered.

GIRL ADMITS THEFTS

Mui Tait with Bad Record At S. C. A.

"You are making a very bad start in life in spite of all the facilities afforded you," said Mr. Hingworth at Kowloon Magistrate's Court on Saturday when Chan Yuen-wah, 17, a girl was charged with stealing money and jewellery from Wong Wah-lan.

Inspector Rogers said Chan was the niece of the principal tenant. On September 5 Wong discovered \$18.20 missing from her suitcase. On September 12 a gold finger ring was missing and on September 13 six silver dollars. She suspected Chan and questioned her and Chan admitted stealing the money but not the finger ring. Only \$3.20 was recovered.

Mr. Fraser of the S.C.A. said Chan was a registered mui tsai and on March 21 became the adopted daughter of Chan Kong-lui. The woman inspector of the S.C.A. had been visiting her since 1931 and had always reported that Chan was disobedient and of an unruly nature. She also stole from her adopted mother while in her custody.

Inspector Rogers said the ring had not been recovered and the second charge was dropped.

Sentence of \$10, or three weeks on the first charge, and \$10, or three weeks on the third charge, sentences to run consecutively, was passed.

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NAZI ATTACK IS REPULSED



PARIS, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—A commentary on the fighting on the Western Front says that the Germans have not only failed to dislodge the French from their advanced positions, but they have themselves been thrown back.

This has especially been the case in the Perl sector, near the Luxemburg frontier.

Here the French have seized a small height, which enables them to extend their artillery fire.

SIEGFRIED UNDER FIRE

French officers consider that prolonged fire from French artillery at the concrete block-houses of the Siegfried Line is bound to cause the latter to crumble.

German power to take the initiative has been seriously hampered. They have failed to drive the French from the heights, and although they have fired thousands of shells, the French batteries continue their bombardment.

Artillery Reaction
PARIS, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—A communiqué issued to-day states:

"Enemy artillery reaction was especially lively in the region south of Duexponts (Zweibrücken). Several successful air actions were fought by our pursuit planes for the purpose of protecting our observation posts."

"Great Fortress"

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—Observers liken the German position on the Western Front to troops besieged in a great fortress.

All tactics of modern warfare are being used, with the French making a gradual approach to the Siegfried Line.

The Germans are making sorties with the aim of delaying the French as long as possible.

The enemy aim is to hamper the French work on trenches in the advance positions, which are being moved closer to the Siegfried Line—the ramparts of the fortress.

Among French mobile units are siege guns of a new type which can be moved up by road. They have been specially designed to batter the Siegfried Line.

French experts say that the German fortifications are so well hidden that a long effort will be necessary before a general advance can take place.

French War Reports

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
PARIS, Sept. 24 (UP).—Official French Communiqué No. 42 states:

"There has been local activity by the reconnoitering units in several sections of the Western Front."

"The reaction of enemy artillery was particularly vivid in the region south of Zweibrücken and our pursuit planes have successfully fought several aerial battles to protect our observation posts."

German troops under the personal command of General von Braunschweig have been particularly active between the Warndt Forest and Wissembourg, and also in the region of Saarbrücken and Bliesgau, as well as the salient north of Elbe, at which

Deep French Gains

Increased bombing patrols by enemy planes have been particularly active between the Warndt Forest and Wissembourg, and also in the region of Saarbrücken and Bliesgau, as well as the salient north of Elbe, at which

Unhappy Sub Crews

LONDON, Sept. 24 (British Wire-
less).—Twenty-eight days at sea, PLEASE Turn To Page 2.

City's Death Throes Terrible Fate Of Warsaw

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—A Polish army communiqué received in London to-night in morse from Warsaw, said:

"German artillery and air bombardment still continues at a terrible rate. There is not one house in the whole of Warsaw which has not been damaged." The city fights on.

Another radio message from Warsaw, apparently sent on a small transmitter which the Poles rigged up since the regular stations were put out of action, or captured, describes the terrible fate of Warsaw.

"Warsaw and Modlin have both been unmercifully shelled and subjected to murderous fire without an interval."

"People have been killed or wounded in every house in Warsaw and all the capital's historic buildings are in ruins."

"In 24 hours, over 100 great fires have been started, and several thousands killed."

"In addition to the shelling, we have suffered two air raids."

"Modlin is attacked from all sides, but the heroic defence continues."

Enemy attacks from the east have been repulsed, and west of the Vistula the Polish forces have made three successful night attacks, and took several prisoners."

"The spirit of the troops and the civil population, is excellent, and the defence of Warsaw will continue."

Civilians Die In Warsaw

PARIS, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—Over 1,000 civilians were killed by the heavy German artillery bombardment of Warsaw to-day, according to an official communiqué from Warsaw.

Four churches and three hospitals were filled with wounded were destroyed.

In the Warsaw sector, a German attack on the right bank of the Vistula was repulsed.

Force fighting continues in the Modlin region.

The communiqué adds: "The de-

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DISGRACED GENERAL?

Danish Comment On Death Of Fritsch

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
COPENHAGEN, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—Was General von Fritsch in disgrace?

This is the question being asked by the Berlin correspondents of Danish newspapers.

The correspondent of the "Berlingske Tidende" points out that very little is said of what General von Fritsch was doing when he was killed, adding that General von Fritsch, as honorary Colonel of the 12th Artillery, was fighting with his men, and not commanding them.

It is also pointed out that the German press gave General von Fritsch very short obituary notices.

A Berlin message says that General Fritsch fell in the front line while carrying out a powerful reconnaissance before Warsaw.

The official news agency says that enemy planes have been particularly active between the Warndt Forest and Wissembourg, and also in the region of Saarbrücken and Bliesgau, as well as the salient north of Elbe, at which

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Britain and France Reject— Il Duce's Attempt To End The War



MUSSOLINI

BIG GAINS FOR U.S.S.R.

Partition Of Poland

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—The joint Soviet-German communiqué issued on Friday on the partition of Poland is considered by neutral observers as a very clear indication that Russia has taken the lion's share of Poland.

German troops, under the agreement, have been forced to withdraw, often for considerable distances, from positions they had occupied.

It is suggested that the new frontiers involve loss of prestige by Germany and may well have been dictated by military considerations.

The new frontier runs along rivers and can be easily defended.

Yielded Territory

The territory yielded by Germany to Russia consists largely of forests and marshlands, and would be ideal terrain for guerrilla revolts.

The territory gained by Germany is more thickly populated, and allows of more supervision of the population.

A message received in Lithuania from Berlin to-day stated that the Ukrainian movement in Germany had been suspended.

A further disadvantage to Germany resulting from the partition is the increased Russian influence in the Balkans, Rumania and Hungary.

Observers are of the opinion that there may be an unfavourable repercussion in Germany. If the German-Russian agreement for the partition of Poland is completed before the war, they ask, how can Hitler justify the invasion of Poland?

Hitler said in his Danzig speech that he did not want war, and only wanted Danzig and the Corridor from Poland, yet he has taken millions of Poles and has handed thousands of square miles to Russia.

Heavy Pressure

Observers ask what Russia would have done if Poland had handed over Danzig and the Corridor to Germany. The truth seems to be that Germany was subjected to heavy pressure from the Soviet, and forced to surrender a large portion of Poland.

A similar view is taken in Hungary, says a message from Budapest. In Budapest it is considered that one of Russia's demands for the conclusion of a non-aggression pact with Germany was the partition of Poland.

Influence Lost

With one stroke of her war on Ribbentrop's pen, Germany sacrificed most of her influence in the Balkans. The Balkan countries have now obtained other outlets for their trade—with neutral Italy and Russia, and are no longer dependent upon Germany in the trade field.

Hitler has made Russia overwhelmingly powerful in the Balkans, after excluding her for 22 years.

Meanwhile Hungary has hastened to resume diplomatic relations with the Soviet, and Bulgaria has concluded a trade pact with Moscow.

LONDON, SEPT. 24 (REUTER).—THE SPEECH BY SIGNOR MUSSOLINI ARGUING THAT EUROPE IS NOT YET ACTUALLY AT WAR AND THAT A CLASH MIGHT BE AVOIDED BY THE REALISATION THAT THE DESIRE TO MAINTAIN OR RECONSTITUTE POSITIONS, WHICH HISTORY AND THE NATURAL DYNAMISM OF THE PEOPLES CONCERNED OPPOSE, WAS IN VAIN, HAS ELICITED A FRENCH SEMI-OFFICIAL COMMENT THAT BRITAIN AND FRANCE HAVE DEFINED ONCE AND FOR ALL THE POSITION THEY HAVE TAKEN IN CONFORMITY WITH THE AGREEMENTS WITH POLAND.

SOBER SPEECH

Well-informed circles in London consider that the key-note of Signor Mussolini's speech was sobriety.

They welcomed his statement that Italy will continue to be neutral and will avoid any extension of the conflict.

The fact that Italy is prepared for any eventualities is accepted as a natural measure of precaution which has been forced on all neutral States.

Britain's War Aims

His view that the moment has arrived to call off hostilities is, however, not shared in British quarters, says "Reuter's" diplomatic correspondent.

The British war aims have been stated clearly and unmistakably by the Prime Minister: the fact that for the moment Poland seems down does not alter their strength and validity.

Rome messages quote Signor Gayda writing in the "Voce d'Italia", in which he interprets Mussolini's speech as a request to the Italian people and the belligerents to stop, while there is still time, and he calls a "smouldering conflict" from exploding into a general war.

The war was started, he says, by the British guarantee to Poland, "but Poland no longer exists, and never will exist again."

French Comment
PARIS, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—A semi-official comment on Signor Mussolini's speech says that great interest is shown in Il Duce's indication of Italy's attitude.

The comment confirms that Mussolini's efforts to maintain peace are deeply appreciated by the French Government, as shown by their reply to the Italian note of September 1.

German aggression against Poland and the multiple events which have occurred since Mussolini's appeal have overthrown international conditions.

The French Government, like the British Government, have made their position known with the greatest clarity.

Germany's Wish

The French press also comment on Il Duce's speech.

One Paris newspaper says that Italy is maintaining neutrality as that the conflict may be localised. Certainly this is Germany's wish.

"We know what localising the conflict means. It means that the strong State can destroy, one by one, under the eyes of the great and peace-loving Powers, small States that are condemned by their isolation and the inequality of their forces."

Il Duce's statement that he might one day summon the Italian people for the announcement of a decision of historic importance is also considered significant by the newspaper.

Britain And Russia

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—Commentary has been issued in London on Signor Mussolini's speech, though the full official text has not yet been received.

Britain, it is stated, understands and appreciates the sincerity of Il Duce's motives, and the Prime Minister has also expressed this appreciation.

Signor Mussolini's suggestion, however, that when the Allies did not

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NAZIS USING AERIAL MINES ON SAAR FRONT

ROME, Sept. 24 (UP).—The Germans are using aerial mines—barrons exploded by ground control—against Allied aircraft on the western front, according to the "Popolo Di Roma's" war correspondent.

He claims that the detonation caused an air displacement possessing a fatal force 20 times greater than an ordinary mine.

'Touch of Genius' Shown In Allied War Conduct

NEW YORK, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—A message from France to New York newspapers from an American war correspondent says:

"I find the Allies have conducted the war thus far with a touch of genius. It had been expected that the French would launch a violent attack on the Western Front, but the French General Staff have shown restraint unusual to the military mind."

"Britain and France have got off to a flying start in organisation, while the British announcement that they are preparing for a three-years' war was an inspiration, and has frightened the Nazis, who are still dreaming of a one-front lightning war."

"In addition, the British blockade has irritated the Nazis after only a fortnight of operation."

B.E.F. Organisation

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—From "Somehow in France" "Eye-Witness," the official British war correspondent, writes:

"Vast preparations for the welfare of the British expeditionary force in France are going steadily forward."

"The complicated mechanism of transferring the army is proceeding smoothly and with admirable co-operation from the French authorities."

"The ramifications of the huge organisation are controlled from a series of modest-looking houses. The officers are in billets and the Tommies in barracks, of which two-thirds are occupied by British troops and one-third by French."

"One of the three main buildings is devoted to French reservists, who arrive in civilian clothes, often accompanied by their wives and families, and depart a few hours later in blue-grey uniform."

"The rations for the British troops are being supplemented by local French produce. The soldiers also have an issue of 50 cigarettes each."

"The general comment on conditions is expressed by one soldier, who said to me: 'Tell them at Home we are not grumbling.'"

Australian Offer Appreciated

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—Mr. Anthony Eden, the Dominions Secretary, sent a message to Mr. R. G. Menzies, the Australian Premier, in reply to the Australian offer to provide an air expeditionary force.

Mr. Eden says: "Your High Commissioner to London has communicated to us your offer of September 20, to provide an air expeditionary force. I assure you, on behalf of His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom that this most generous offer is deeply appreciated here."

MARINERS PAROLED

U-Boat Commander Extracts Pledge

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—The choice between giving their word to keep off the seas for the rest of the war, and of remaining prisoners in a German submarine until they could be landed and interned was the dramatic experience of the captain and officers of the British ship Truro (974 tons), when they were taken aboard a U-boat.

The ship belongs to the Ellerman's, Wilson Line Ltd., and was built in 1923.

One of the officers, when interviewed to-day, said that the German Commander of the U-boat told them: "If you break your parole, you will have to take the consequences."

The officers were taken aboard the submarine to interview the commander, after which they returned to the boat.

The crew were given cigarettes and beer, and then turned adrift.

Thirty-three hours later they were picked up by a Belgian vessel and have now returned to safety.

Swedish Ship Sunk

OSLO, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—The Swedish cargo boat Gertrudbratt was sunk by German submarines, thought to be assisted by a plane, off the south coast of Norway this morning.

The crew took to the boats and landed safely.

En Route To England
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
OSLO, Sept. 24 (UP).—A German submarine has torpedoed the Swedish Norwegian coast.

The vessel was carrying a cargo of cellulose from Sweden to England. Twenty members of the crew were picked up by Norwegian trawler. It is understood that the submarine was accompanied by an airplane.

Unhappy Sub Crews

LONDON, Sept. 24 (British Wire-
less).—Twenty-eight days at sea, PLEASE Turn To Page 2.

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Telegraph."

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were
issued on the Hongkong Stock Mar-
ket this morning.

BANKS	
H.K. Banks	1,200 n.
H.K. Banks (Long Term)	72 n.
H.K. Banks (H.K. Bank)	72 n.
Chartered	6 n.
Mercantile, C. & D.	22 n.
Mercantile, C. & D.	10 1/2 n.
East Asia	72 n.
INSURANCES	
Cantons	365 n.
Union	365 n.
China Underwriters	1 1/4 n.
H.K. Fire	165 n.
SHIPPING	
Douglases	47 n.
Steamboats	12 n.
Indo-China	30 n.
Indo-China, D.S.	30 n.
Shanghai (Barkers)	80 1/2 n.
Waterboats	8 1/2 n.
DOCKS ETC.	
Wharves	99 n.
Docks	18 n.
President's	420 n.
New Eng. Sh.	74 n.
Sh. Docks, Sh.	110 n.
MINING	
Raub's	83 1/2 n.
Venz.	4 n.
H.K. Mines	6 1/2 n.
LANDS	
Hotels	4 1/2 n.
Land	30 1/2 n.
Land 4 1/2 de.	700 n.
Sh. Lands	74 n.
Hampneys	74 n.
H.K. Realities	4 1/2 n.
Chinese Estates	95 n.
UTILITIES	
Trams	15 1/2 n.
Peak Trams (old)	740 n.
Peak Trams (new)	370 n.
Star Ferries	61 1/2 n.
Y. Ferries	700 n.
China Lights (old)	5 n.
China Lights (new)	50 n.
H.K. Electric	18 n.
Macao Electric	18 n.
Sandakan Lights	11 n.
Telephones (old)	7 1/2 n.
Telephones (new)	19 n.
Traction	22 1/2 n.
INDUSTRIALS	
Cold Mfg. (old)	14 n.
Cold Mfg. (new)	13 n.
Cand. Ice	13 1/2 n.
Cement	13 1/2 n.
H.K. Ropes	330 n.
STORES, ETC.	
Dairy Farms (old)	20 n.
Dairy Farms (new)	10 1/2 n.
Watson	8 1/2 n.
Lane, Crawford's	180 n.
Sincere	41 n.
Wing On (H.K.)	41 n.
Powell, Ltd.	1 n.
COTTON MILLS	
Ewo Sh.	10 n.
Sh. Cotton	135 n.
Zhong Shing	42 n.
Wing On Textiles	40 1/2 n.
MISC.	
H.K. Entertainments	6 1/2 n.
Constructions (old)	1 n.
Constructions (new)	1 n.
Vibro Piling	8 1/2 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1935	38 1/2 n.
G. Bonds	108 n.
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan	108 n.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan	108 n.
Marsmans (H.K.)	4 n.

LETTERS

ZBW Propaganda

The Editor,
Hongkong Telegraph.

Sir,—If we must have British prop-
aganda from ZBW, for heaven's sake
let us be fair and decent in our
criticism. Do not have us how many
others must have been won when they
heard and read the references to
Goebbels' deformity in Sunday night's
talk? I wonder what the reaction of
Americans must be? If we can't be
dispassionate and can't avoid making
our own listeners squint we would
do better to leave such matters alone.
Baron.

COMMENCING FRIDAY at the KING'S



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OUTWARD MAIL TIMES

Registered and Parcel Mails are
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time given below unless otherwise
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INWARD MAILS

Canton and Straits Sept. 25.
Japan Sept. 25.
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Straits and Manila Sept. 25.
Amoy Sept. 25.
Haliphong Sept. 25.
Shanghai Sept. 25.
Japan Sept. 25.
Canton and Straits Sept. 25.
Manila Sept. 25.
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Manila Sept. 25.
Air Mail by "Air France Direct
Service"—Paris date, 20th Sept.
Sept. 27.

Air Mail by "Pan American Airways
Direct Service"—San Francisco
date, 21st September Sept. 27.
Haliphong Sept. 27.
Manila Sept. 27.
Shanghai Sept. 27.
Straits and Manila Sept. 27.
Canton Sept. 27.
Japan Sept. 27.
Haliphong Sept. 27.
Japan Sept. 27.
U. S. A., Honolulu, Japan and Shang-
hai (San Francisco date, 20th Sept.)
Sept. 30.

Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct
Service"—London date, 24th Sept.
Oct. 1.
Shanghai Oct. 1.
Shanghai and Amoy Oct. 1.
Straits Oct. 2.
Australia and Manila Oct. 2.
Canton and Straits Oct. 2.
Japan and Shanghai Oct. 2.
Straits Oct. 3.
Australia and Manila Oct. 3.
Japan Oct. 4.
Straits Oct. 4.
U. S. A., Honolulu, Japan and Shang-
hai (San Francisco date, 8th Sept.)
Oct. 4.

Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai
(London date, 17th Sept.)
Oct. 5.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct
Service"—London date, 27th Sept.
Oct. 5.
Japan Oct. 5.
Shanghai Oct. 5.
Straits Oct. 5.

OUTWARD MAILS

Monday
Fort Bayard 1 p.m.
Straits 3.30 p.m.

Tuesday
Canton 7.15 a.m.
Fort Bayard and Haliphong 3.30 p.m.

Wednesday
Japan 7.15 a.m.
Manila, Straits, Ceylon, India, East
Africa, South Africa, Egypt and Europe
via Naples—due Naples Oct. 10.
G. P. O. and K. P. O. 4 p.m.

Thursday
Reg. 4.30 p.m.
Ord. 4.30 p.m.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand
via Thursday Island—due Thurs-
day Island 6th October
K.P.O. 5.30 p.m.

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ITALY WITHDRAWING DODECANESE FORCES

ISTANBUL, Sept. 24 (Reu-
ter).—A report that Italy is
withdrawing surplus troops
from the Dodecanese Islands,
although still unconfirmed by
responsible quarters, has pro-
duced a favourable impression,
states an Ankara telegram.

Following the Greek-Italian
agreement to withdraw troops
from the Albanian frontier,
this reported action is thought
to mean that Signor Mussolini
is taking the initiative by
appeasing the Balkan Powers
in the eastern Mediterranean.



CITY'S DEATH THROES

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Police of Warsaw and Modlin con-
tinues, and will continue.

Polish Resistance
A Berlin report says that Polish
resistance in a fourth area besides
Warsaw, Modlin, and the Hel Peninsula is revealed in the latest
communiqué from the German high
command.

The communiqué says that the
movements of German troops towards
the demarcation line continued ac-
cording to plan, along the entire east
front.

There was fighting in the Tomasz-
Zamosc-Rudko area (between Lublin
and Lwow) with scattered enemy
forces trying to break through to the
south.

A part of these forces is surrounded
south-west of Zamosc, and others are
retreating to the east where they will
encounter Russian troops.

With regard to the Western Front,
the communiqué speaks of very
heavy artillery fire in places and the
repulse of local enemy attacks.

"There has been local activity by
our reconnaissance forces on several
parts of the front.

Berlin Review
LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—A
German high command communiqué
issued in Berlin, deals with Germany's
relations with Poland since the spring,
when, it is claimed, it became known
that Poland would not try to avoid
war.

The Germans allege that Poland
was dominated by thoughts of
occupying Danzig, and East Prussia
from three sides, and of conquering
the latter as an island from the rest
of Germany.

The Poles, says the communiqué,
underestimated the strength of the
German army, which has taken over
500,000 prisoners, 1,200 guns and
enormous quantities of war material.

The Polish air force, it says, was
smashed by two air fleets formed by
Field-Marshal Goering, while "our
own losses were small."

"Most Dreadful Day"
LONDON, Sept. 24 (UP).—One
thousand civilians have been killed
and a greater number wounded in
Warsaw during the past 24 hours,
which is described as the "most
dreadful" period of the siege.

A hundred German airmen have
been carried on a dispatch to the
"Exchange Telegraph" from Warsaw,
dated at noon to-day.

Hundreds of Bombs
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".
PARIS, Sept. 24 (UP).—The
"Transcontinental Press" issues a
Warsaw communiqué asserting that
German artillery has been firing at
the city throughout the day, while airplanes
dropped hundreds of bombs.

Hospitals are being bombed de-
spite the Red Cross signs, which are
clearly visible. One bomb hit St.
Savior Church during Mass, and
many worshippers were killed. The
hospital at Ujazdow was bombed and
almost completely destroyed.

The population is determined to
continue their resistance, and have
repulsed German infantry attacks.

IL DUCE'S ATTEMPT
TO END THE WAR
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PLEASE read page 2
declare war on Russia when the Red
Army invaded Poland; they weakened
the moral case against Germany,
is not understood here.

The decision to declare war on
Germany was the direct consequence
of the invasion of Poland, which was
a further illustration of lawlessness
in international affairs which it is
our purpose to resist.

Whatever, therefore are the results
of the Soviet invasion of Poland, our
purpose is unaffected, and we will
prosecute the war with unflinching
determination.

Belgian Frontier
Defences Manned
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".
BRUSSELS, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—
Newspaper Correspondents who re-
cently visited the national defence
forces, says that the troops are show-
ing a good morale.

They are well fed and comfortably
billeted.
Photographs and reports published
indicate that anti-tank defences,
supported by camouflaged artillery
and machine gun nests have been
prepared, and are strongly installed
and permanently manned.

MARINERS PAROLED

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haunted all the time by the know-
ledge that every man's hand, as well
as the sea itself, is against you.

"That is, to-day, the situation of
the German U-boats on the Atlantic
before the Declaration of War."

This is part of the bulletin issued
by the Ministry of Information to-
night. It continues:

"Twenty-eight days of ceaseless
strain in cramped quarters must tend
to sap the morale of the young sub-
marine crews."

"The available resources of the
trained German submarine personnel
are limited."

Strain On Crews
"The strain on U-boat crews must
be great, for German submarine war-
fare has been answered in un-
favourable terms by the anti-submarine
craft of the Royal Navy."

"The moral effect of depth charges
on U-boat crews is intensified by the
knowledge, from bitter experience,
that the Royal Navy can detect and
hunt down with an efficiency never
dreamt of in the last war."

"It is when a submarine—short of
vital supplies, torpedoes, fuel, food
and fresh water—tries to get home
that the vitality of her crew is at its
lowest. It is then the U-boat faces
its greatest ordeal."

Closing Bolt-Holes
"Not only does the Royal Navy
harrass U-boats on their trading
grounds on the ocean, but in closing
the bolt-holes to their bases. The
operation of our patrols make the
entrances to the North Sea exceed-
ingly hazardous for an enemy sub-
marine, while the passage homewards,
once in the North Sea, is made more
dangerous by our patrolling surface
vessels and aircraft."

R.A.F. Versus U-Boat
NEW YORK, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—
The American liner American Farm-
er, arrived in New York to-day say-
ing that 28 survivors of a British ship
which had been torpedoed in the Atlantic
after the survivors said that
shortly after the ship had sunk, an
R.A.F. bomber appeared from
nowhere, as if by magic, and had
swooped down and dropped a bomb.
Apparently the bomb destroyed the
submarine.

One of the crew of the American
Farmer said that there was a 50-50
chance that the submarine had sunk.

NAZI ATTACK IS
REPULSED
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points the French have accomplished
their deepest gains.

The Germans are using patrols
racing the French, and three
armoured battalions were wiped out
last week.

Condors At Front
The French have reported that the
German Condor Legion, which saw
action in Spain, has arrived at the
Western Front, and has given an
important war mission by the Minis-
try of French.

Although the nature of the ap-
pointment is not revealed, it is re-
called that Dr. Carrel collaborated
recently with Colonel Lindbergh in
research work in connection with an
artificial heart.

BUCHAREST, Sept. 24 (Reuter).
—The State funeral of M. Calinescu,
the murdered Prime Minister of
Rumania, took place to-day, and was
attended by huge crowds.

The burial will take place to-
morrow.

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—A
broadcast from the radio in Moscow
to-day quoted Italian sources as
stating that some German infantry
units on the Western Front are
equipped with armour plating pro-
tection, 1/20th of an inch thick.

The armour, it is stated, could be
folded when not in use.

BERLIN, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—
Addressing foreign pressmen, Dr.
Josef Goebbels reaffirmed that the
German Government is determined
to respect the neutrality, not only of
Belgium, the Netherlands and
Luxembourg, but of all States.

He declared he had given foreign
journalists the opportunity to con-
vince themselves of the "solidarity
of the protectorate of Bohemia and
Moravia."

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—The
offer by New Zealand of a division to
help the Empire cause was made
known in London to-night, and
announced by the Prime
Minister of New Zealand added the
dramatic words: "We stand or fall
together, in war or peace, defeat
or victory."

OTTAWA, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—The
wheat crop in western Canada is
estimated at 435,000,000 bushels,
of which 87 per cent. is of the top three
grades, as compared with 78 per cent.
this time last year.

BERLIN, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—
Eight persons are known to be dead
and 40 seriously injured as a result
of an explosion in a coal mine at
Bochumhordel yesterday.

Nine, whose way of escape has
been cut off, are feared dead.

Messrs. Cable & Wireless notify
that telegrams in English may now
be forwarded to French Indo-China.

NEW FLASHES

America May Extend Zones

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).
—A message from Santiago
(Chile) says that the United
States has proposed that the
jurisdiction of the territorial
waters of the two American con-
tinents be extended to 300 miles.
The proposal will be made at the
Pan-American Conference at Panama
City.

ANKARA, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—The
Turkish Government has introduced
to Parliament estimates for a further
24,000,000 for defence.

This brings the total defence ex-
penditure for the year to £20,000,000
over the budget figures.

PARIS, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—An
order signed by the Polish Amba-
sador provides for the compulsory
registration of all Poles between the
ages of 17 and 45, living in France,
with a view to their incorporation in
the "Polish army in France."

WELLINGTON, N.Z., Sept. 24
(Reuter).—Eleven were killed to-day
in one of the worst coal-mining
disasters in New Zealand for many
years.

Men were investigating a fire in a
mine at Huntly when they were
overcome by carbon-monoxide gas.
Eight bodies have so far been re-
covered.

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—The
King, who is spending the week-end
at Windsor Castle, attended morning
services at St. George's Chapel to-
day.

The Queen and the two princesses
were present at the parish church at
Balmoral.

SHANGHAI, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—
Although official circles here have
hitherto refused to make any state-
ment, it appears that the Taitao police
have taken over the extra-Settlement
roads.

The number of Taitao police in the
area have been increased, and they
are now directing traffic at many of
the cross-roads, there has been no with-
drawal of Settlement police.

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—The
first batch of men in the Civil Air
Guard, who were wanted that they
Guard have called up for an inter-
view with a view to joining the Royal
Air Force.

This batch consists of men under
the age of 28 who possess an "A"
licence.

The women Civil Air Guard have
been advised to offer their services
to other branches, especially the
women's auxiliary air force.

BRUSSELS, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—A
message received in Brussels from
Berlin states that the night-black-
out in western Germany is being more
strictly enforced, showing increased
fear of air raids by French and
British planes.

The message adds that there were
45 prosecutions in one day in a town
near Aachen, of civilians who did not
prevent their lights from showing in
their houses at night.

PARIS, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—Dr.
Alexis Carrel, the world-famous
French scientist, has been given an
important war mission by the Minis-
try of French.

Although the nature of the ap-
pointment is not revealed, it is re-
called that Dr. Carrel collaborated
recently with Colonel Lindbergh in
research work in connection with an
artificial heart.

BUCHAREST, Sept. 24 (Reuter).
—The State funeral of M. Calinescu,
the murdered Prime Minister of
Rumania, took place to-day, and was
attended by huge crowds.

The burial will take place to-
morrow.

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—A
broadcast from the radio in Moscow
to-day quoted Italian sources as
stating that some German infantry
units on the Western Front are
equipped with armour plating pro-
tection, 1/20th of an inch thick.

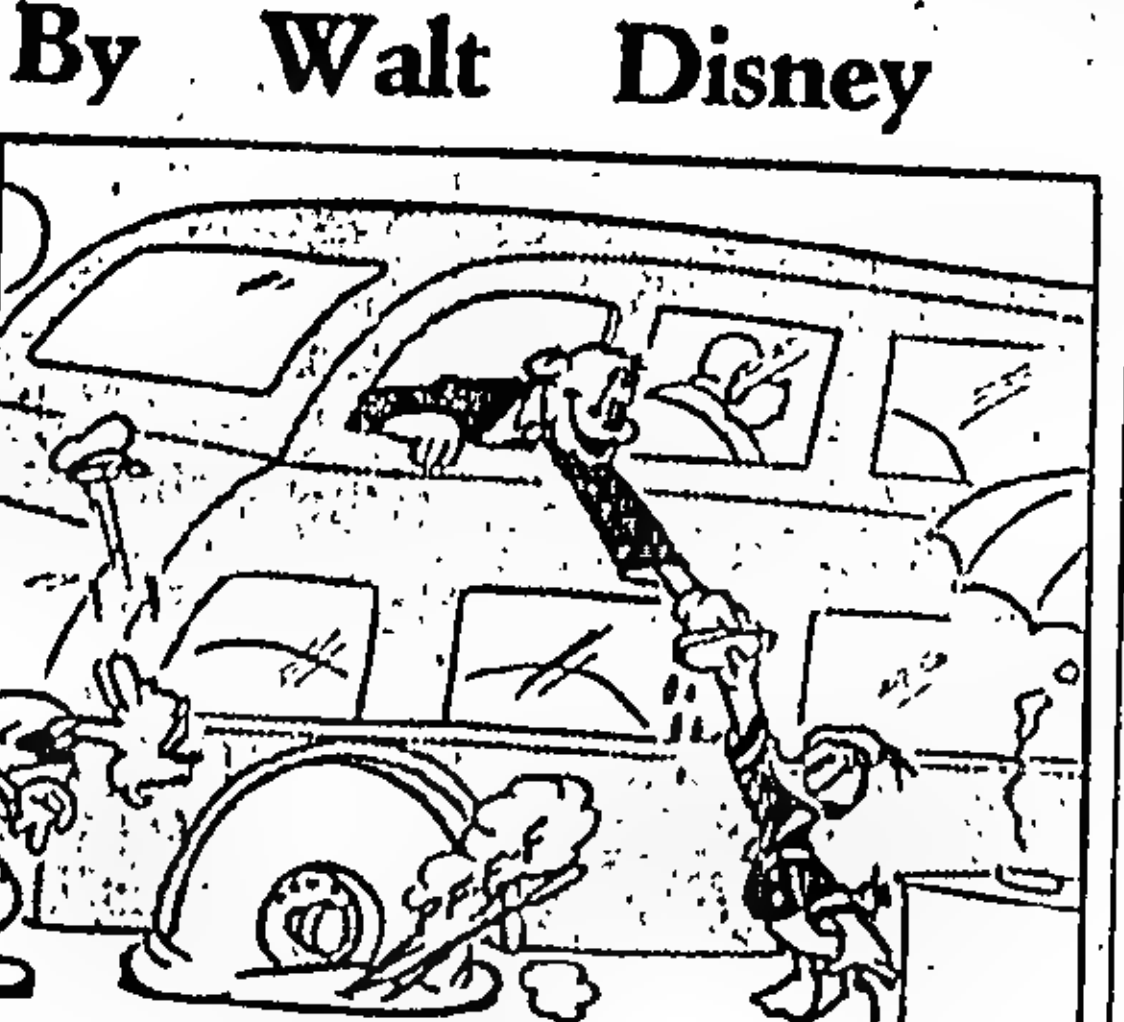
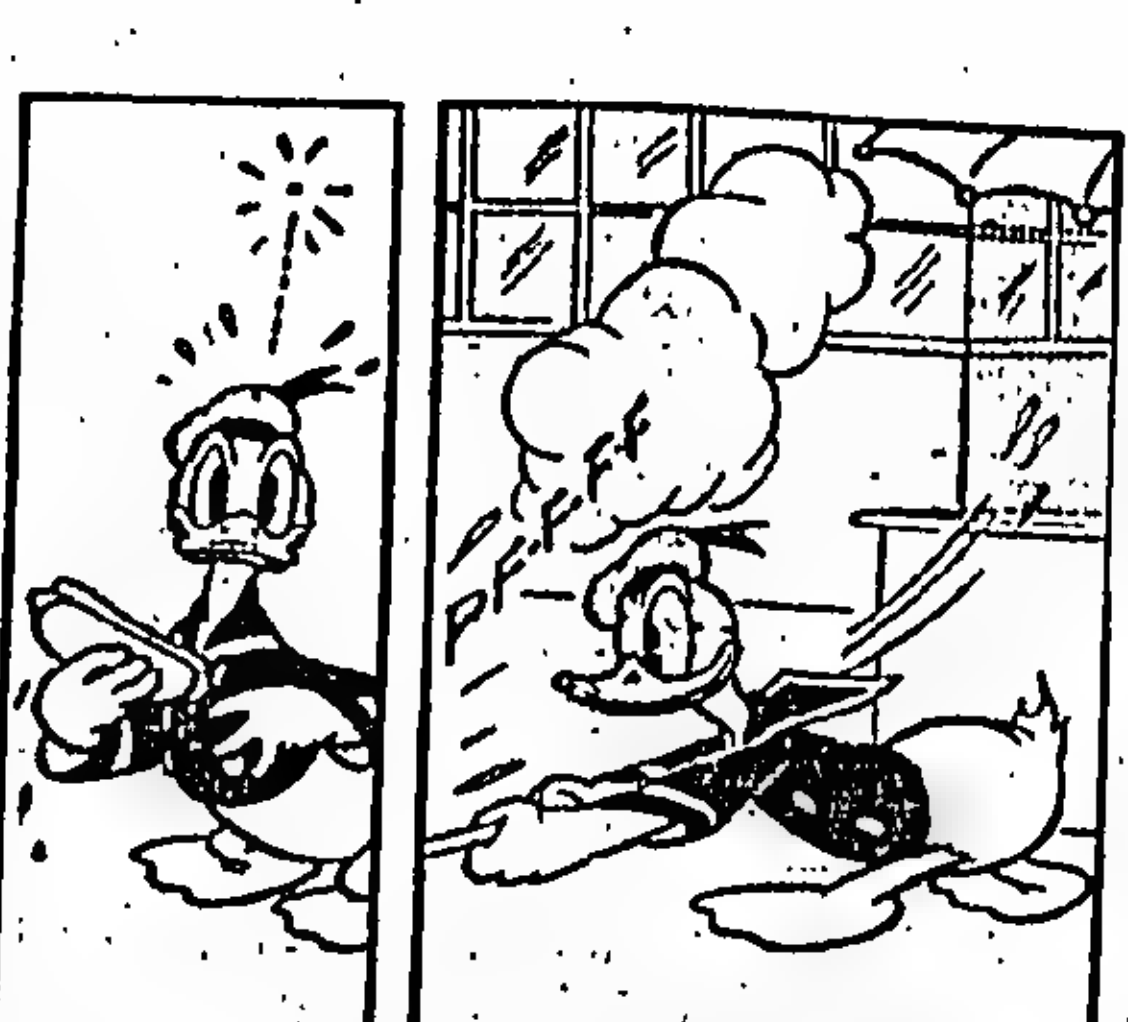
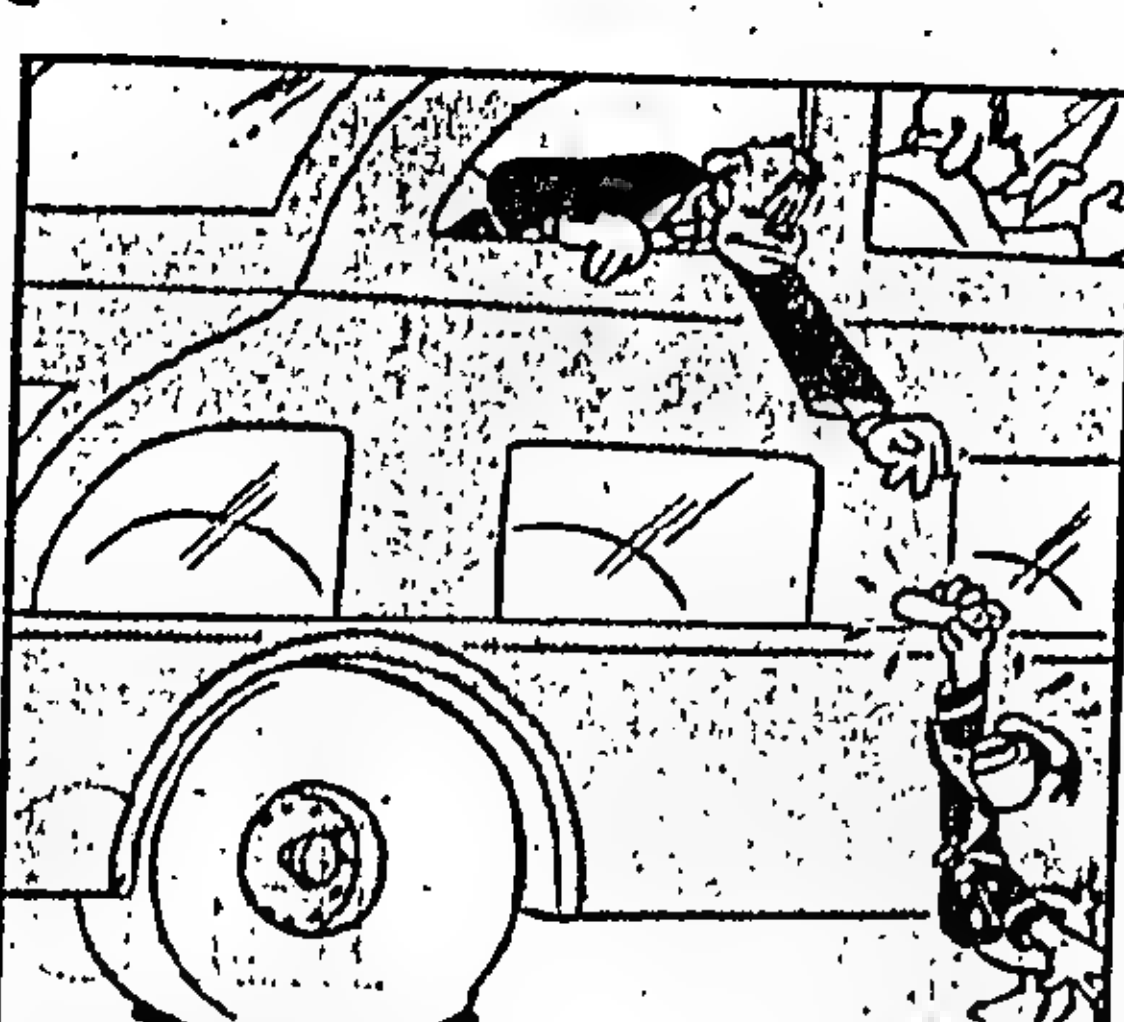
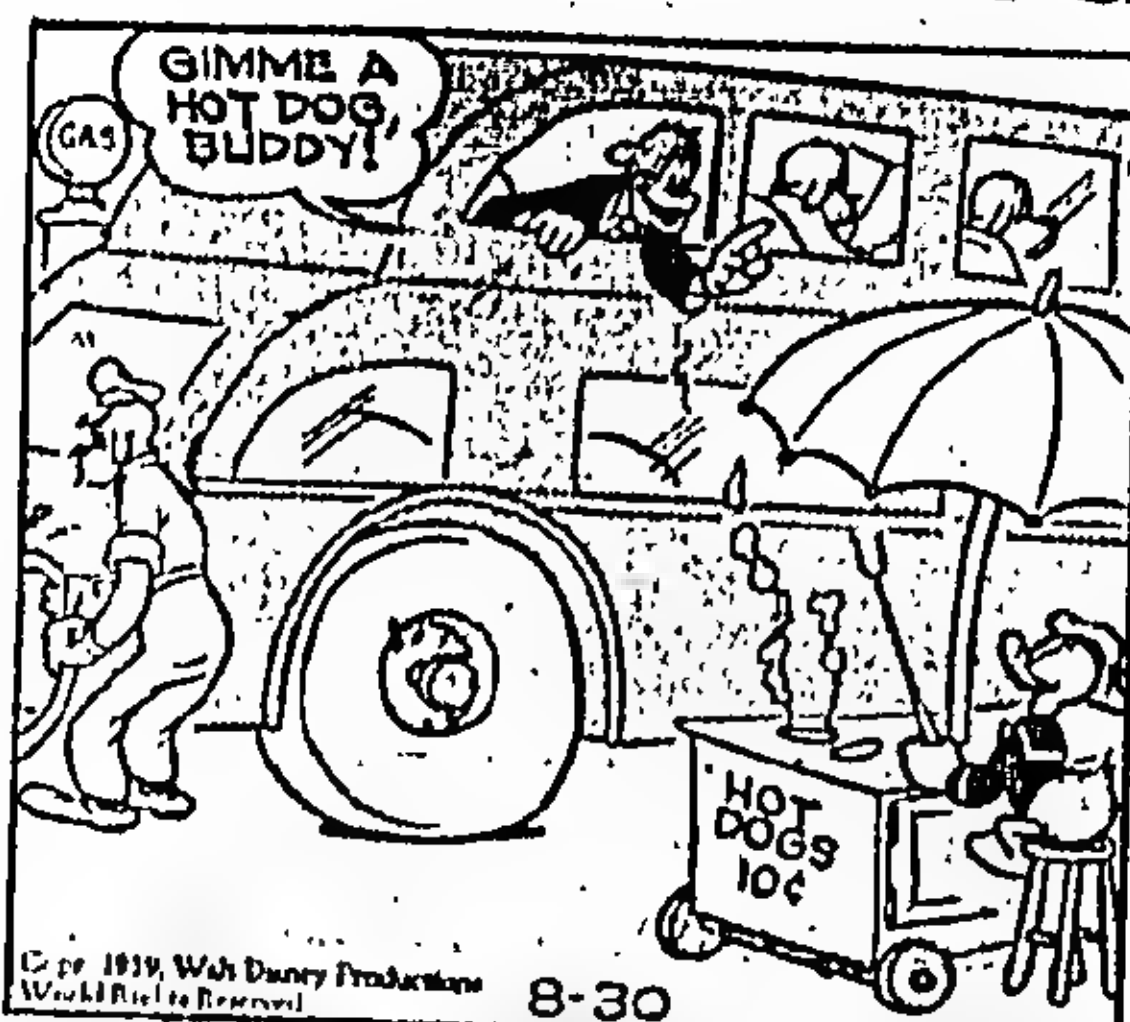
The armour, it is stated, could be
folded when not in use.

BERLIN, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—
Addressing foreign pressmen, Dr.
Josef Goebbels reaffirmed that the
German Government is determined
to respect the neutrality, not only of
Belgium, the Netherlands and
Luxembourg, but of all States.

He declared he had given foreign
journalists the opportunity to con-
vince themselves of the "solidarity
of the protectorate of Bohemia and
Moravia."

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—The
offer by New Zealand of a division to
help the Empire cause was made
known in London to-night, and
announced by the Prime
Minister of New Zealand added the

DONALD DUCK



A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

Sept. 25, 1889. It would appear that Shanghai is still a long way in front of Hongkong in the ship-building line—side the report of the trial trip of the steamer Pao Ching. Doubtless, the cause of this is that our local Dock Company has never had a chance of constructing a steamer of over 1,000 tons.

25 YEARS AGO

Sept. 25, 1914. A Petrograd telegram reports that the Russians have occupied Jaroslavl, a most important railway centre in Russian Poland. (Jaroslavl occupied by Russians last week—Ed.) The cruisers Aboukir, Ilogue and Creasy have been sunk by submarines in the North Sea. The Aboukir was torpedoed and the Ilogue and Creasy, while standing by to save the crew, were also torpedoed. A considerable number were saved by another warship division, destroyers, and boats. A message from Ymuiden, near Amsterdam, states that a steamer has arrived with 287 British survivors of the torpedoed cruisers. There are one dead and a few wounded. Eighty survivors of the torpedoed cruisers have landed at Harwich. It is estimated that seven hundred are saved. Thirty officers rescued from the sea, landed uninjured, dressed in sack, shawls, etc. Five German submarines attacked the cruisers. Other British cruisers and torpedo-boats rushed to their assistance and it is reported that they destroyed two submarines, and rescued survivors and wounded to Ymuiden. A further report from Ymuiden states that the first British cruiser, the Ilogue, was torpedoed, and then the Creasy sank. It is reported that the Creasy sank at eight o'clock.

We notice that just before the European war broke out great preparations were being made in the United States for the coming of the American Convention, which in the moment of course, interest in American politics is not so compelling as it would be if the Convention were proceeding along normal lines in other parts of the world, but all the same, there are special features about the Convention, and it is not surprising that the Convention should be the subject of much internal happenings.

10 YEARS AGO

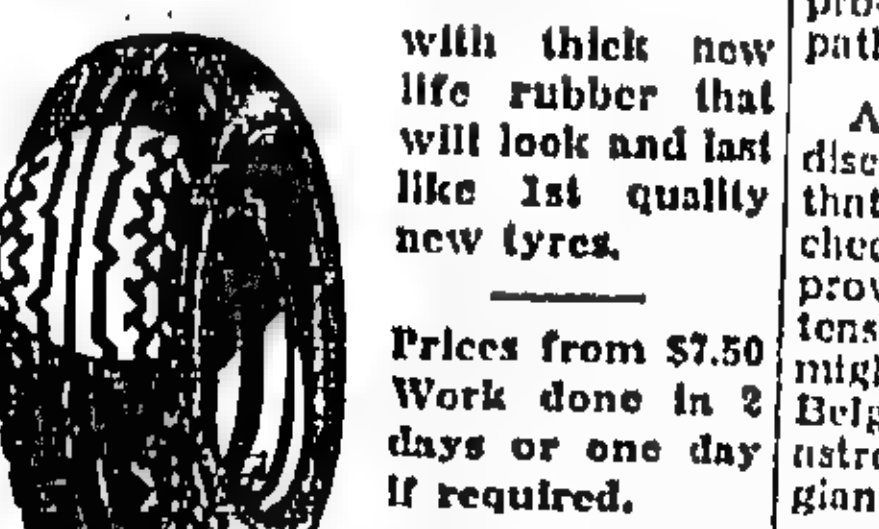
Sept. 25, 1929. The 25-year-old Cunard liner Mauritania established three new remarkable records yesterday, when she completed her outward crossing of the Atlantic in 4 days 17 hours 40 minutes, beating her own previous best time for the journey by four hours.

5 YEARS AGO

Sept. 25, 1934. Fourteen players will be competing in the Hongkong Inter-Club cricket team were announced this morning. The fourteen players chosen are: T. E. Pearce, H. W. Holmes, G. S. Dunk, C. E. Gardiner, H. Owen Hughes, N. A. E. Mackay, J. McGinn, A. H. Mader, A. R. Muir, E. J. R. Mitchell, T. A. Pearce, F. D. Pereira, G. R. M. Tackett and J. P. Williams.



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Victor McLaglen and Douglas Dumbrille battle each other in a fist fight during the course of Hal Roach's "Captain Fury," now showing at the King's Theatre.

BELGIUM HAS HER "SUDETEN"

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"Spiritual unity" is nothing more or less than the annexation of the Flemish provinces of Belgium by Germany. All this propaganda is well-known to the Belgian authorities, but they are unwilling to disturb their relations with Germany by having a public dispute on it. However, public opinion in other parts of the world, when a Nazi journalist called Ehler, addressed a meeting of Flemish Nationalists, and when asked by a paperman to produce his identity papers, refused, and impudently remarked that "soon we shall be here" expulsion.

HOW exactly all this activity is financed, is a mystery.

The "Pohl's vouchers" were named after their originator, a German Legation in Brussels, who had them issued under the pretext of aiding needy Germans resident in Belgium. In point of fact, they were used to subsidise propagandist activities, and responsible for the bank's refusal to do so any more.

It is true that at the moment, the support which all this activity receives in Belgium is very small. Nevertheless, this should be rather attributed to the comparatively small scale of Nazi efforts, than to successful opposition.

It must be recognised that the Flemish, the majority of the population of Belgium, always have been, and remain to-day rather of pro-German than pro-French sympathies.

A Flemish kenderme with whom I discussed the matter gave his opinion that unless some effort were made to check Nazi propaganda in the Flemish provinces, the effect of a sudden intensification of propaganda, which might follow a quarrel with the Belgian Government, might be disastrous for the integrity of the Belgian nation.

So far the rift between the Flemings and the Walloons has been rather passive in character, but the essentials for a deep rift are there, and it only needs the sort of stimulus that the separatists of Czechoslovakia, such as Henlein, Hlinka, Tiso, Voloshin, and others received, to carve the Belgian nation into two opposing national camps—a condition ideal for the "restoration of order" by the very same people who begin the trouble.

The independence of Belgium is a security prerequisite of British and French.

HOLLAND'S DEFENCES ARE STRONG

(Continued from Page 4.)

of which consisted exclusively of men, six feet high. "That is wonderful indeed," Queen Wilhelmina said smilingly. "But our Waterline is seven feet deep."

Witty as this reply may be, it is not quite correct as the great millions of the Waterline lies in the fact that the bottom of it is uneven and that for the greater part of it is too deep to enable the crossing of an army, but not deep enough to permit the use of boats; even in the shallowest parts wading is made impossible by innumerable canals which traverse the land everywhere and which would be come deathtraps to anyone who attempted to cross the line even on horseback.

There are millions of these canals throughout Holland. Many of them have been deepened for the important part they would play in case of an emergency. In the regions which are not to be flooded they will cause great difficulties to the enemy's artillery, the more so as the soil in all lower parts of the country is extremely soft and watery. This is clearly shown by the results of an experiment the General Staff has made only a few months ago.

THE war Ministry placed an order for a number of medium-weight tanks, of types which might be used in an attack on Holland, with armament factories abroad. The tanks arrived and were driven to the pasture land of which most Dutch provinces—especially in the West—consist. There the tanks immediately began to behave oddly. They made some strange movements like donkeys that refuse to go forward or like young horses trying to throw off their riders, "covered" a distance of five or six feet in this way, and then came in the soil to lay there like monuments of stubbornness.

Only one of them succeeded in going on for a dozen or more yards. Then there was a small canal, very shallow and only a few feet wide. The tank was supposed to take a small obstacle like that with the greatest ease. In practice, however, it put its nose into the water, lifted its back into the air, and moved no more. It had to be dismantled to be taken away at all. From that day Dutch staff officers do not fear very much an invasion of Holland by means of armoured cars and tanks.

THE Dutch soldier is an extraordinary type. With the British he has a common trait of character that is not often found in continental armies: he likes personal responsibility much more than blind obedience. He accepts discipline because he has to, not for sheer love of discipline. Like, for example, the German soldier, if he is allowed to think for himself, the Dutch soldier does his work twice as well as when he has to act on command. Dutch officers know that and they respect it. With the magnificent result that during the international tension of April last, when the Dutch frontier defences were unexpectedly strengthened by thousands of men in many barracks not one internal command had to be given; the soldiers did the routine work, even the universally hated jobs, by mutual agreement and without the officers having to bother.

They knew it was different from the annual training, which for many of them is just a God-sent occasion for jokes and complaints; they knew it was serious this time and they behaved accordingly. This love for harmless obstruction as long as the situation allows it, and this readiness to not, help, and obey as soon as matters become serious, are typical of the Dutch soldier.

GRIPPS GALA PROVES THEY'VE GOT SOMETHING

HONGKONG'S 1939-40 season opened boisterously at the Grippe on Saturday night. The triple attraction of a new Swing Band, the Ormonde Sisters, and U.S. Thompson's twinkling feet brought along a crowd which taxed not only the capacity of the dance floor but also of the surroundings, and it was necessary to take over the entire first floor of the Hongkong Hotel for the occasion.

Although suffering from fever with a temperature of 103, Joan, pretty brunette member of the English Ormonde sisters dancing duo, overcame the disapproval of a Hongkong doctor called in to attend to her at 9 p.m., and made two appearances with her sister to score a success which repaid her for her pluck. The sisters, whose presentation of modernistic and classical numbers were so popular that the large crowds which gathered around the floor in their enthusiasm hardly gave them space in which to work, were forced to cancel their final number, Joan finally collapsing under the strain.

Grippe patrons were treated to swing in the Benny Goodman manner by Nick Korin's Swing Band, which also made its debut in the Colony. Appreciation of the crowd was manifest in the demands for encores which finally resulted in an appeal through the microphone for less enthusiasm, owing to interference with the scheduled cabaret performances. Another artist who brightened the evening was the coloured tap dancer, U.S. Thompson. His antics as he lapped his way up and down a block of wooden steps were very clever and were presented with good showmanship. Thompson was very generous with his response to clamorous demands for encores.

UNIVERSITY AQUATIC MEETING

Fixed For Saturday September 30

The Seventh Annual Inter-Hostel Aquatic Sports of the Hongkong University Union Swimming Club will take place on Saturday, September 30, commencing at 2 p.m., in the European Y.M.C.A. pool. Hosts will be held on Wednesday at 2 p.m. Acting Vice-Chancellor, Professor K. H. Digby, has kindly agreed to be the patron, and Mrs. W. T. W. has consented to present the prizes. The events this year will include, as usual, a diving, an invitation relay and a pool, a handball, while an innovation, in the shape of a lady undergraduates' free style relay, is being introduced. The Inter-Hostel Aquatic Sports were instituted in 1933, four years after the founding of the Swimming Club. From 1933 to 1936 Rice Hall was repeatedly victorious, but in the last few years Morrison Hall has gained the supremacy. All members and friends of the University are cordially invited to attend.

GOVERNOR JOINS THE R.A.F. SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuters).—Air Chief Marshal Sir Robert Brooke-Popham is relinquishing his appointment as Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Kenya to take up duty with the Royal Air Force. Mr. G. S. Salinger, C.B.E., General Manager of the Southern Railway, has been appointed Director-General of transportation and movements at the War Office.

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7.—All entries to be either black, sepia, or toned pictures, and must be mounted. Coloured photographs are ineligible.
8.—Pictures submitted in sepia tones should be accompanied by a smaller print in black and white.
9.—No picture is entered in more than one Section.
10.—Mounts to be only white or cream, and, except in the Children's Section, must be of one of the following sizes: 4x6, 5x7, 8x10, 10x12.
11.—No correspondence will be entered into in connection with the Competition.
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U.S. Neutrality

THE proposals which the American Congress will debate when it re-assembles in Washington today are of a momentous nature. President Roosevelt has requested, in effect, that the United States abandon the incongruous Neutrality Act, which has controlled much of the foreign policy of the country since 1937, and reverts to International Law.

Under International Law it would be permissible for Americans to sell war implements to belligerents, providing the belligerents make available the cash to pay for them and the ships to carry them across the Atlantic. Under the existing legislation, which the President has protested, it is perfectly permissible for Americans to sell wheat, cotton, copper, steel and other raw materials to belligerents and to ship these supplies to them in American ships, sending American vessels into the war zone. Yet it is not permissible to ship guns, ammunition or other implements of war to countries engaged in the conflict. One of the first effects of this law was to prevent the delivery to France of 600 airplane motors which were being made in the United States for the French Government when war broke out.

During the Great War the trade of the United States in raw materials sold to Great Britain, France and their allies was three times as great as its trade in actual war munitions sent to those countries. Thus if it is assumed that America was drawn into that war by having built up an economic stake on the side of the Allies, the raw materials were three times as much a factor in building up that stake as were the munitions sold.

A rejection of President Roosevelt's proposals for amendment of the existing Neutrality Act will be no guarantee of American abstention from war. Indeed, there are grounds for believing that the Congressional rejection of previous efforts by President Roosevelt to amend the law was, in fact, an encouragement to Germany to invade Poland, since there is no doubt that, so far, American sources of supply have been closed to the nations in the defensive alliance.

If Congress adopts President Roosevelt's appeal that arms and ammunition be placed in the same category with all other commodities and applies the "cash-and-carry" principle to them, it should provide the maximum of possible security from war for the United States, and at the same time aid those nations who are fighting aggression.

As Mr. Roger Babson, the well-known U.S. statistician now visiting Hongkong, said in an address last Friday, America cannot afford

Large concentrations of Nazi troops near the frontiers of Belgium and the Netherlands suggest that one of those two countries may provide a channel through which the German military leaders will attempt to flank the impregnable Maginot Line. Below, "Telegraph" writers review the defences—and the weaknesses—of the two northern States.

Belgium Has Her "Sudeten"

IT IS a pity that most people who visit Belgium do not venture beyond the coast and Brussels, the capital, and do not penetrate into the beautiful forested Ardennes country.

Part of the Ardennes is inhabited by former Germans; the people of the so-called "redeemed provinces" of Eupen and Malmédy, where a silent, but none the less important battle is at present going on between those of the inhabitants who are satisfied with the extraordinarily liberal administration of the Belgian Government, and those who wish for an Anschluss with the National-Socialist Reich.

THE latter are organised in the "Heimattreuefront" or True To the Homeland Front, which gets both its extensive financial resources and its spiritual inspiration from the Bund Der Deutschen Im Ausland, the Deutsch-Fichte Bund and other organisations in Germany which aim at including the National-Socialist philosophy among all peoples which might in any way be deemed of Germanic origin.

Included in the activities of the Heimattreuefront are the usual sub-sections: Hitler Youth, League of German Maidens, and so on. Money is collected for the Winter Help, in some cases in sizeable sums, if one takes the smallness of the territory into account. So-called "gymnastics clubs," and "gliding clubs," which exist in Eupen and Malmédy are but a cloak for irredentist political activity among young people, who are the backbone of the Nazi movement.

ON the other side stands the powerful influence of the Catholic Church, and the smaller, but still important voice of German Socialists, who like the Catholics have before them the example of events in the Reich to dissuade them from joining in the Heimattreuefront.

The loyal section of Belgium's "Sudetenlanders" are thus the older generation, whose cohesion in the "Democrat Front" is cemented by people like the ex-servicemen, to whom the bellicose philosophy of Nazi Germany is anathema.

In the last communal elections, even in Eupen, where the Heimattreuefront is strongest, the anti-Nazi parties won a majority of votes.

This majority, however, was in most cases very narrow indeed, and in point of fact, the casual visitor to the "Redeemed Provinces," is rather given the impression that the elections should have gone the other way round.

German style peaked caps, the distinctive mark of the adherent to the Heimattreuefront, are everywhere in evidence, while a careful look at the

to stand by as a spectator if there is any possibility that Great Britain and France will be defeated by Germany. Hence, it is to her advantage that the democracies be strengthened, and not weakened, in their fight against the aggressors. The existing Neutrality legislation weakens our resistance; the amendments proposed by President Roosevelt are the best reinforcements his country can offer us—short of going to war.

button-holes of the young will reveal many tiny swastikas.

THE attitude of the Belgian Government and of the man in the street on the question becomes apparent very soon.

So far, there has been none of the concentration of German propagandist forces which was seen in Danzig, and other territories finally annexed by the Reich, previous to their occupation by German troops.

But the majority of Belgians will tell you that should Eupen and Malmédy ever become a problem

by

J. MICHAEL

likely to lead to armed conflict, the territories would be transferred with little argument and less regret. They have little economic value, and are but a thorn in the side of the tranquility-loving people of Belgium.

On the other hand, the attitude of the Government has changed in recent years. In spite of the fact that fundamentally, the opinion of the electorate is on the whole shared by the administration, the latter would not be as ready to hand the territories over.

So far, the Belgian Government has been leading an "independent" foreign policy which lead them last year to hold military manoeuvres on the French Frontier, "so as not to annoy the German Government."

But in official circles, it is realised that if Belgium should have to make a choice between the Democracies and the Nazis, there is no doubt that the Democracies would find her at their side.

IN such an eventuality, the areas of Eupen, Malmédy and St. Vith would assume a particular importance. As Monsieur Jules M. Mathieu, the Governor of Liege, explained to me, Belgium's main line of defence lies behind the "redeemed provinces," which are thus an invaluable field of fire for the powerful line of steel and concrete, which guards the eastern frontier.

"For some 40 kilometres," he said, "an invading army would at present be subjected to the punishment of our forces."

Those territories are handed back to Germany, the Reich's frontier would be brought to within a few thousand yards of the fort, whose effectiveness would thus be impaired to an enormous extent.

There is another side to the question which the more far-sighted of Belgian politicians have in mind, and that is the problem of Flemings, whose people constitute the majority of Belgium's population.

It has not been unnoticed that every time a territory is handed back to the Reich, the Government which agrees to the concession is no longer free from foreign influences as formerly; the most extreme example of this is Czechoslovakia.

This is a very important factor for Belgium, because Nazi penetration is not confined to the "Redeemed Provinces," but is becoming increasingly active in the Flemish lands.

Last April, for example, a group of students from the University of Ghent were invited to visit Cologne. There they were subjected to a constant stream of propaganda. They were told in a lecture by Professor Martin Spain that the National-Socialist Reich takes a particular interest in the Flemings, whom it considers to be a pure racial group of Germanic origin, and that the time for them to return to their natural German orbit has arrived.

In all the main towns of Belgium, there exist groups of the League of Germans Abroad, the whole "country-group" of Belgium being organised by a certain Herr Schultze, living in Brussels.

The Belgian Nazis publish a daily paper, which is circulated among all Germans living in Belgium, and at the same time, take an active part in Flemish Nationalist politics.

In this respect, they were instrumental in founding at Antwerp the "National Socialistische Vlaamische Arbeiderspartij"—the National Socialist Flemish Workers' Party, whose official organ "Fatherland and Work" is headed by two large swastikas, and whose avowed aim is to achieve "the spiritual unity of the people's community in Low-German Flanders with other ethnographic German communities." The written matter makes it clear that this

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HOLLAND'S DEFENCES are STRONG

NEUTRALITY is a wonderful thing, if you can defend it.

The fate of small countries wishing to be neutral but unable to help themselves in an emergency shows that the finest proclamation of neutrality is worth nothing if such countries have to depend on the courtesy of others to respect it.

The Dutch know that, and are taking the necessary precautions. Any one who feels inclined to sneer at these measures, made by so small a country, should have been cured by the recent sharp fall of the guilder, and attributed by experts to the burden of strengthening the country's defences.

If this loss at the stock exchange did not convince the doubter he should make a trip to Holland and look for himself.

He will still find a country of seaside resorts, rich pastures, gardens, cows, and windmills, but if he uses his eyes, he will see a lot more than that.

THE unusual number of warships in and around the port on his arrival may not impress him very much, but he will become thoughtful when, shortly before passing the first bridge across a canal, the train guards will start closing all carriage windows—in spite of heat and closeness—rigorously prohibiting the passengers to throw cigarette end or anything else out of the train or to open the windows again.

For the bridge, like every other important bridge throughout Holland, is provided with a blasting-charge and is ready to be blown up at any moment.

This is the case even with one of the finest and newest bridges in the country: the one near Dordrecht, a marvel of bridge-building, which has been under construction for several years.

Now, at last, the work is finished and the bridge has just been opened to traffic... but with a blasting-charge in its inner parts! It is one of the wonders of our civilisation that, whereas the construction took such a long time, the destruction can be carried out within two seconds.

The defence of bridges—

which in the Spanish Civil War have proved to be of the same strategic significance in modern warfare as in the past—is by no means restricted to their blowing up; on the contrary, this is only the last straw, as one can see when passing the bridges by car.

At both ends of a bridge of some importance in any area near the frontier (and which area of that small country is near the frontier?) vast numbers of iron poles are placed in deep holes in the pavement, rising three or four feet above the street level.

The Dutch soldier, whose humour is typical of the Army's spirit, has already nicknamed them "asparagus". These asparagus sticks leave only a small part of the bridge's width open to traffic and that remaining part, if an emergency arises, can be blocked in the same way, in less than a minute.

In many cases the precautions go further still: there you will find, standing upright in the pavement, a bundle of what could have been sewer-pipes, solidly joined to each other. These pipes are to be filled with cement, which in a couple of seconds transforms the obstacle into one solid block of concrete, which no vehicle, no tank or armoured car can possibly pass and which cannot be demolished except by blowing it up. And even that is made difficult by barbed wire entanglements of the latest design.

The delay thus caused is ex-

by

Albert de Hes.

actly what the Dutch defence system is aiming at.

THE small size of the army in proportion to the comparative extensiveness of the frontiers, as well as the character of these frontiers, would make a Dutch "Maginot line" indefensible and therefore useless.

Consequently, the Dutch General Staff had to think of defence methods of their own and, as a visit now to any part of Holland clearly shows, they have succeeded magnificently.

One need not be a military expert to admire the ingenious work done in a short time with a modest budget.

"Defence against a surprise attack" was the watchword; as a Dutch officer explained, "We are unable to defend ourselves single handed, and for a long time against armies ten times the size of our own, but we certainly are able to force a delay in the advance of such an army."

Even a delay of a few days would be sufficient to get help from elsewhere—and so would rub the whole attack of its surprise value, which otherwise could be the only reason for a foreign power to undertake it at all.

On that idea of "delay" the whole of the Dutch defence system is built up. Hundreds of miles, leading across the frontiers, are decorated in a most unusual way: each tree wears a belt of little brownish blocks of troyl round its trunk. All trees along a road are linked up by means of an electric fuse, and one ignition is sufficient to cause the explosion of every belt along a four mile road within one second! The effect is terrific. The trees break like laths and as their tops are blown down they fall across the road transforming it into an impenetrable tangle of branches and trunks and leaves, which would take a considerable time to get through.

Needless to say, these obstacles will be strongly guarded by machine guns and field guns, placed in trenches and pill boxes all around them. Rivers, railroads, and highways in the interior are protected in the same way.

When travelling through Holland, one might see in a cornfield something that from some distance looks like a scarecrow and a minute later proves to be a machine-gun which has got its place but not yet its steel or concrete cover.

Wherever one looks—or is forbidden to look—these machine-guns are as quick-firing guns in protect Holland's roads and canals, and where they seem to be wanting, the peasants will betray to you that several of them are hidden behind dykes and hedges, between hills and bushes.

The whole of Holland's countryside is one big but unobtrusive "Maginot Line" albeit of a somewhat unusual kind.

TO this must be added, of course, the historic Dutch defence system of the "Waterline," by means of which the valley between the Eastern and Western parts of the country can be flooded completely. Dutch strategical experts are not for a moment afraid that this system should prove out of date. An territories can be destroyed but not conquered by the enemy, the enemy has still to march in to achieve decisive results and, once the "Waterline" is put into operation, this may give him a hell of a headache.

Several years before the Great War, when the German emperor paid a State visit to the young Queen Wilhelmina, the Kaiser boasted of his wonderful army, some companies

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HAIPHONG-HANOI FOOTBALL TEAM'S THIRD DRAWN MATCH IN HONGKONG

Visitors Lead 3-1 At One Stage But Concede Two Goals In The End

(By "Abc")

The combined Haiphong-Hanoi soccer team completed their series of three official matches in the Colony by playing another drawn game, this time against the Rest of the Colony, on the Club ground yesterday. The final score was 3-3 after the visitors had led by 1-0 in the first half and 3-1 at one stage of the second.

It was obvious from the commencement of the encounter that their week of practice in Hongkong conditions had improved the visitors' play tremendously. Always a yard faster on the ball than the local men, they proved extremely clever in their dribbling and short passing, and once more demonstrated that when the opportunity offers they can shoot. All their three goals were from, especially the first and second.

In comparison to the visitors, the locals appeared slow and their play suggested (as only to be expected) that they have not yet got into their stride. Yet credit must be given them for the way in which they fought back in the second half, and Freddie Fowler is to be commended on his "hat-trick" which saved the match for Hongkong.

It would not be unflattering to the Hongkong forward line to say that Fowler was the only man who looked dangerous, and apparently sensing this, the Haiphong-Hanoi defenders always had a man marking him; but his bounding methods, plus his fine headwork, enabled him to find the net.

FAR TOO RAGGED

The Hongkong forward line was a ragged unit all through. Both the wingers were weak, and though Eric Strange and David Leonard did a great deal of splendid midfield work, they were far from effective when attack was concerned. The defence played up well, however, and may consider themselves to have performed with credit in keeping the fifty visiting forwards down to three goals.

The outside trap set by Blackburne and Lane invariably succeeded, and many were the movements which were halted through the Haiphong-Hanoi forwards rushing into these traps. The intermediates worked hard and on the whole shone rather more in defence than in attack.

All Three Matches Have Been Drawn

The visiting Haiphong-Hanoi footballers have drawn all the three matches which they have played in the Colony, as follows:

Draw with Eastern 4-4.
Draw with Combined Chinese 2-2.
Draw with Rest of Hongkong 3-3.

Football Provides Relaxation

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Good Attendances
On September 2

Considering the state of affairs in Europe the attendance all over the country on September 2, need not be sneered at as they were about 350,000. Indeed, many thousands sought the football grounds for their relaxation. Unquestionably the headline side of the day were the Spurs. Against West Bromwich Albion they achieved a remarkable win by the odd goal of the seven scored. London football was really in the news. The Arsenal put on a brilliant show against Sunderland—just like the old Arsenal—and Ted Drake had a wonderful game, getting four of his side's five goals. Bryan Jones, although he didn't score, was in £14,000 fettle, and once more he is beginning to look like the player we all know him to be. Blackpool's home performance against the Wolves leads us to believe that they will realise the hopes held for them last year.

NIFTY FORWARDS

While the visiting half-backs were never really prominent, they had little difficulty in checking the numerous attacks of the Hongkong forwards until the latter part of the second half. It was up forward, however, that the visitors impressed most. Very fast, they swung the ball out to the wings in fine style. They made several dangerous breaks, but these were nullified by the inability of the outside right to give any "lift" to his centres. More often than not, his centres were far too low and were intercepted by the Hongkong half-backs.

The two inside forwards, Thong and Hol, made several spectacular dribbles and were the "brains" of the attack. The latter opened the scoring in the first half with a goal after Hongkong had missed a penalty. The kick was entrusted to Gardner but he hit the post and, though Leonard sent in a terrific drive from the rebound, the goal was disallowed, probably because Gardner, after taking the kick, was left in an off-side position.

Crossing over with the visitors leading by a goal, Hongkong came more into the picture. Fowler put the locals on level terms with a header from a perfect corner kick by Flanders, but the Haiphong-Hanoi side scored two more goals through Thong and Yung to lead 3-1.

SECOND TIME SUCCEEDS
In one of the rare Hongkong raids, Fowler was fouled in the area and took the kick himself. His shot went straight to Tamm, who, however, failed to hold the ball and from the rebound Fowler scored his second goal.

Shortly afterwards Fowler added his third from close in, thus equalising the scores. In the closing minutes Hongkong had more of the exchanges but the final whistle blew with no further scoring.

Hongkong: Duncanson, Blackburne and Bone; Bell, Bright and Honniball; Gardner, D. Leonard, F. Fowler, E. Strange and Flanders.
Haiphong-Hanoi: Sammy Tsang; Can and Binh; Cheng Ching-nan, Thom and Huan; Lo, Thong, Tan, Hol and Yung.

BASEBALL PITCHERS' AVERAGES

New York, Sept. 23.

The following were the leading pitchers' averages to date:
American League—Sundra (Yankees) won 11 lost 0, Donald won 11 lost 3, Hoving (Red Sox) won 11 lost 3, Grove won 14 lost 4, Ruffing won 21 lost 7.
National League—Derringer won 23 lost 7, Walters won 20 lost 10, Bowman won 13 lost 5, French (Cubs) won 14 lost 7, McGee and Thompson won 10 lost 5, United Press.



Lady Northcote scored her first win on the local turf on Saturday when her pony Devonian (ridden by Ian Black) won the Vaucluse Handicap at Happy Valley. She is seen here leading in her pony after the race. His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, is on the right of the picture.—Mrs. Cheung.

MACAO RACING ENTRIES

The following are the entries and handicaps for the events of the October Meeting of the Macao Jockey Club, which will be held in Macao on Sunday, October 1:

The Colowan Handicap. Five furlongs. Country Flower (135), Courser Blue (143), Gold Clause (140), Hohenfels (135), Morning Tip (135), Shanghai 4 (152) Victory Life (103).

The Praia Grande Handicap. Five furlongs. Cloudy Star (101), Double Up (149), Eagle (159), Iron Knight (101) and National Triumph (159).

The Lappa Handicap. (First Section). "B" class. Six furlongs. Cloudy Star (140), Eagle (140), Iron Knight (140), King's Parade (108), Lucky Eleven (105), Mac's Adventure (102), National Dignity (101), National Triumph (140) and Persian Cat (159).

The Porto Cervo Handicap. "D" class. Six furlongs. Clowser (185), Diogenes (140), Double Chance (180), Gold Sovereign (144), King's Envoy (140), National Anthem (140), Sports Venture (142) and The Tigress (158).

The Stewards' Cup. One mile. Country Flower (135), Courser Bleu (135), Fairy Auk (160), Fairy Ousel (103), Gold Clause (135), Hogmanay (158), Hohenfels (155), Meadow Eve (135), Merry-Maker (135), Morning (135), Merry-Maker (135), Morning (135), Rothsay Bay (135), Shanghai 4 (140) and Victory Life (151).

The Lappa Handicap. "Second Section". "B" class. Six furlongs. Bogey (168), Double Up (140), Dow Jones (140), Gold Tower (140), Old Fashioned (165), The Buccaneer (165) and The Spirit of St. Louis (140).

The Consolation Stakes. Post entries. One mile. In connection with the "Stewards' Cup" the fifth race on the programme, a special \$1. Sweep is being conducted.

SPORT ADVTS.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft, Programmes and Entry Forms for the Eighth Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 7th and Tuesday, 10th October, 1939, (Weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road. Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, 28th September, 1939.

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World's Record Putt Of 220 Yards

SYDNEY, (UP). — The world's record putt is claimed by J. L. Coleman, playing over the Barraba (New South Wales) golf course. He used his putter at the second hole—220 yards—and holed out in one. The shot is vouched for by the club's president, L. J. Clifton, who was playing with Coleman at the time. "He has a kink about that hole," said Clifton. "He always plays it with his putter to keep out of trouble." This time the tactics got him into trouble at the 19th hole. The drinks were on him.

Harbour Department Succeeds

Yesterday's Bowls
At Police R.C.

His Excellency the Governor was the guest of the Commissioner of Police, Mr. Percival, and the Police Club when he took a team there for a friendly game of lawn bowls yesterday. His Excellency was narrowly defeated 21-10.

Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell, Sir Atholl MacGregor, J. Duncanson and His Excellency the Governor (skip), played C. G. Percival, J. S. Riddell, J. R. MacWalter and J. C. S. Fender.

GASCOMBE O'SULLIVAN CUP
The final of the Gascombe O'Sullivan lawn bowls competition was also played on the Police R.C. green yesterday between the Harbour Department and the Public Works Department. The former team had a runaway victory, winning 20-0. The P.W.D. could only score on six heads and at one time they were down 5-18 after the fourteenth head.

P.W.D.—H. P. Shaw, G. S. Graver, C. B. Robertson and A. Brookbank. Harbour Dept.—J. Hoosen, K. C. Hamilton, G. Stephens and W. Hillyer.

YUGO-SLAV SURPRISES JOHN BROMWICH IN DAVIS CUP MATCH

That cannonading one heard Aug. 24 around the Longwood Cricket Club was not a European crisis shifting to our own backyard, but merely Ferenc Puncce, Yugoslavia's one-man tennis army, dropping a few bombs into the increasingly tense international Davis Cup situation, which is rapidly nearing the breaking point. The opening day's premier conflicts between the European winners and the Australians stunned the sparse crowd as Puncce turned in a four-set victory over John E. Bromwich, the man considered to take Donald Budge's former amateur pedestal, the scores being, 6-2, 8-6, 0-6, 6-2.

Significance of the match could be heard on three fronts. First, it completely botched the theory that Australia would whitewash the Yugoslavs as the majority had expected, and now the boys from the Baltic have a slight, admittedly very slight, though faintly, lead through with a series victory as it would startle the tennis world as it has not been started for many years. Second, it gave the United States Davis Cuppers renewed energy in their practice sessions, furthering the previous contention "win" at the previous contention "win" this though the Aussie delegation's strong year possesses probably the strongest staff is not of the unbeatable type. Even Bromwich could be taken into camp by inspired play.

THIRD INEXPERIENCED
Third, it marked the first defeat for the Aussie star since January, when Bromwich lost to Quist in the Australian finals, and the second defeat since last year's Davis Cup matches with America, when Bromwich lost to Budge.

The series stood at one all at the end of the first day as young Demeter Mille was fouled too inexperienced to cope with the relentless attack of Adrian Quist, who amassed a 6-0, 0-4, 6-3 triumph. Mille's second experience on grass courts (his first was at Wimbledon this year) lacked polish and effectiveness that was a result of his inability to cope with the bounce and the pace of the ball.

On many occasions the 21-year-old Yugoslav was caught napping because of misjudgment, as Quist mixed his pace and shots deliberately to widen the winning margin.

MATCH OF SUMMER
But the "match of the summer" was the Puncce-Bromwich encounter

with Puncce exhibiting amazing tennis during the first set, then, gaining enough confidence to control the upper hand throughout, finally tied down to outsmart the Aussie "wonder" in his own game, a baseline duel.

"Let it not be said that Bromwich played poorly for he didn't. He displayed his usually sound, steady game that was only overcome by the superlative play on the part of Puncce. For a while in the second set, Bromwich attempted to bring the terrific pace of Puncce by slowing up his base-line drives and putting more height to the bounce. With this strategy he pulled even with the Baltic ace, as Puncce erred.

But it wasn't long before Puncce returned to the command, and when he did, he showed an even more versatile attack than his previous cross court, angled drives and his accurate passing shots. This time he mixed his attack with drops, a booming effect to the Aussie's most potent weapon, and Puncce with this shot working perfectly ran out the set at 8-6.

PUNCCE COMES BACK

The third set witnessed Bromwich outplaying the rising Puncce in the first three games, and then Puncce following the coat of whitewash after that, thus speeding the intermission period.

But the advisability of Puncce's belated return to his former difficulties in the fourth was questioned as Bromwich romped to a 2-1 lead in games. However, Puncce took hold of the situation once again, fought his battle from the baseline preference and ran out the next five games.

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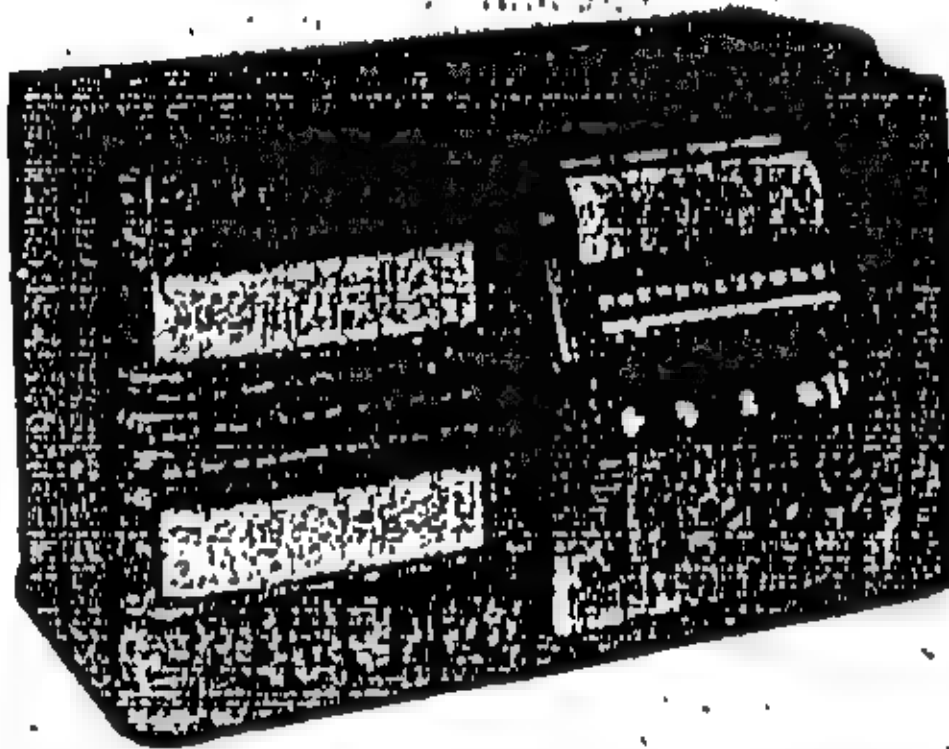
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A **SMART** and fashionable suit ceases to have any point if it is worn by an unsuitable person. It is like putting an essentially modern picture in the most exuberant type of Victorian sitting-room. It cancels out.

So we must first of all go over the lines that are most likely to affect your wardrobe this winter, and apply them one by one to you who are able to wear them. Variations on suits and jackets are many, but the principal lines to look out for are the long slim, single-breasted jacket with the straight skirt, the tight-fitting round-the-waist jacket which comes down to the hip line; a jacket which comes down to a point in the front and up at the back—Falconer has sketched one—the five-eighths boxy jacket (these jackets are being worn solo for evening).

A sports suit in caramel tweed, with the new pleats-at-the-back skirt line. The coat this girl is holding over her arm is of khaki corduroy. It is loose and five-eighths length, and is trimmed with large buttons on a double-breasted front and patch pockets.

Mainbocher favours them); a jacket which has a flared basque, sometimes trimmed with fur, at the back, and, of course, the sports jacket which lives in a world of its own, but still follows the characteristic line to the extent that it is long, slightly waisted, and worn over a slightly flared skirt.

Those who have been deploring the shortness of skirts can put on those extra inches and know they are on safe ground. Skirts 14 inches from the ground can be worn by anyone but the shortest.

Skirt lines vary from Marcel Rochas's very full ones, that carry the fullness all round, to those with a sleek front line with fullness at the back.

Schlaparelli does a straight, tight-fitting skirt as a contrast to most of the collections, and they are a boon to the rather full figure, on which an elaborate skirt looks top-heavy.

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If you are slim, but with a rather heavy waist, adopt the Schlaparelli line, which does not accentuate it. If you are slim with a small waist in proportion, you can corset it so that your hips stand out, and wear the full, draped, or slightly flared line, though the last would hide your contours, which this season would be a pity, as good ones are supposed to be accentuated.

If you are broad on the hips, with good seating accommodation, but tall with it, you can wear a skirt or jacket with a bustle that will be nipped in at the waist. But you must be tall to carry this off. If you are not tall, go in for a five-eighths length loose box jacket, and wear it with a slightly flared skirt—not a too full one.

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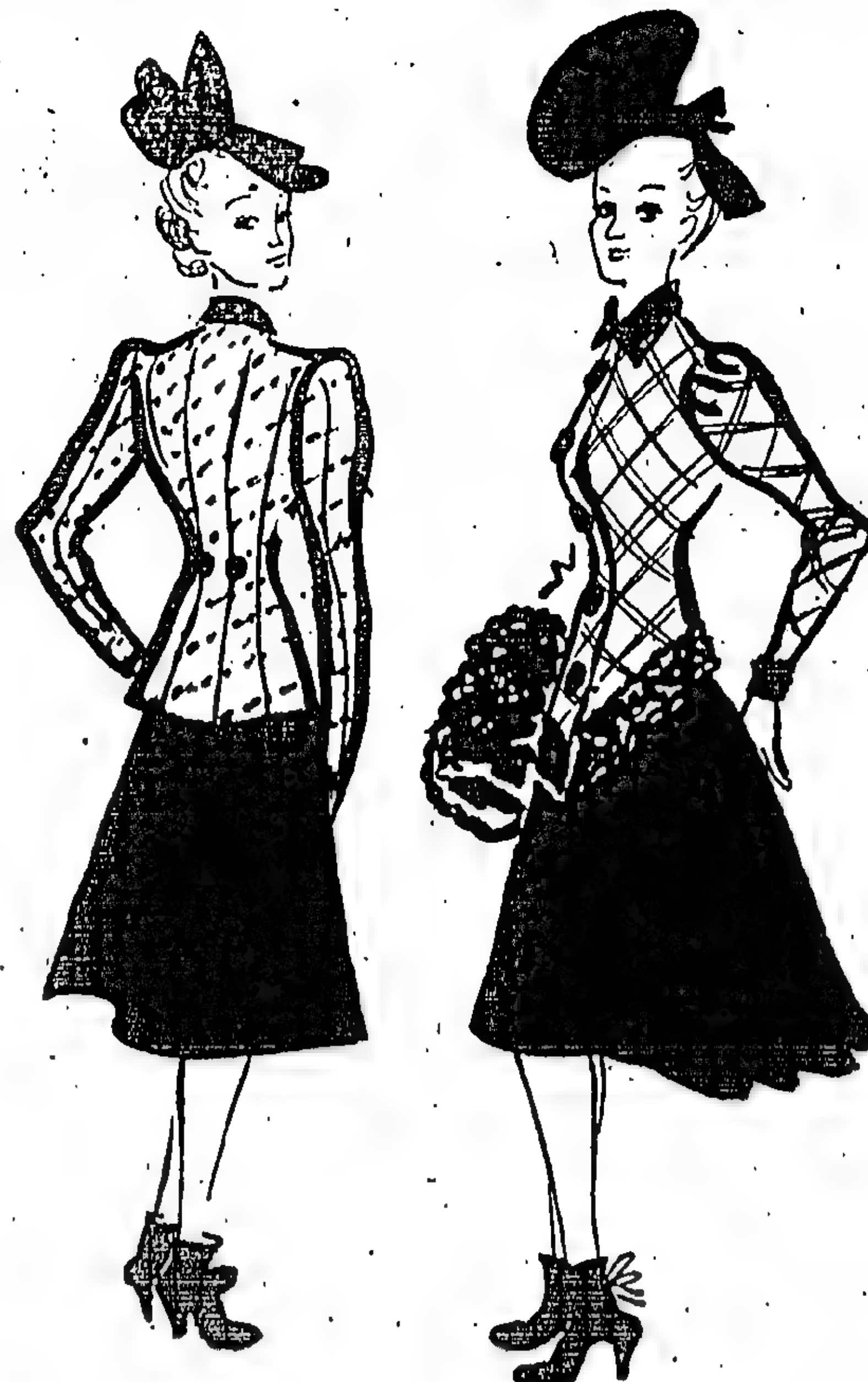
JACKETS to the autumn suits do, in the main, accentuate the waist-and-hip-line, but there are those loose jackets, too, which should be a boon to the fuller figure. Remember to buy one which gives you a straight line at the back. Your derrière should not bump it out.

Skirts, with the exception of those produced by Schlaparelli and Chanel, remain the same length, and I think you can rely on them doing so for some time. But the fact that some designers have put on an inch or two indicates that some time in the not so far future we shall be back to covering our legs.

An entirely different line, with a straight-in-front skirt pleated in the back, a long jacket and buttons down the front. This is trimmed with Astrakhan and the booties have Astrakhan tops to match. Note the hat with the curly brim. It's a new line. Good for almost anyone because it can be so easily adapted.

This is a typical shape jacket made of striped Donegal tweed, in such mixtures as green and pink, and blue and grey, wide stripes. This one is trimmed with a velvet collar and is worn with a black skirt and black hat. Note the booties, made of black suede. You need a slim waist to wear this.

This tartan jacket is in wine, purple, and white. It shows the down-at-the-front, up-at-the-back line, and the lavish Astrakhan trimming round the hem, collar, cuffs, and the muff. It is worn with a black wool skirt with fullness at the back. Booties again.



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"For afternoon I do not like velvet on the Englishwoman. She does not carry it off so well as the French woman. I prefer a black wool suit—which you can wear with a sweater in the morning, and change in the afternoon with a blouse and change of accessories. This is economical as well as good."

"Colour is a question of personal taste, but I adore black for town wear. With black suits I like bright touches introduced by blouses and scarves. In the choice of colour to touch up a black outfit, you can show as much individuality as you like."

"I'd like to point out that the Englishwoman has longer limbs, and suits are specially kind to her. I design for women who have very good figures, wide shoulders, and long limbs."

Ways With Old Stockings

GLOVES to wear while doing household and garden jobs that stain the hands can be cut from the tops of old stockings. Lie your hands in turn on a piece of newspaper, and pencil round them for the patterns. Sew up the glove with the machine or with short back stitches.

Mittens for cold weather can be made in the same way by using old woollen stockings or men's socks (not knitted ones.)

By slitting a pair of woollen stockings down the back seams, cutting off the feet, and joining the legs together on an excellent hot-water bottle cover can be made. Run a cord through the top and sew up the bottom, leaving a nip in the middle for the hanging-up slip at the bottom of the bottle.

When You Wash Summer Frocks

"GENTLY" is the word to keep in mind when you are about to deal with summery frocks and blouses in the wash-tub. Their light colours and delicate fabrics are treated—very considerably—if they are to keep their new looks, so never start washing them in a hurry if you can possibly help it, and don't dump several frocks of different colour and materials in the tub together if you want to get the best results.

If you are washing a frock that has never been washed before, soak it well beforehand in cold water to get rid of the "dress" that is in the material. To neglect this precaution, or to wash a new frock together with an older one, is to court failure, for the "dress" spoils your lather and makes a scum that settles on the fabric.

Dry Quickly

To be on the safe side, cool your hot soapy lather before you dip your frock or blouse into it. It should not feel hot to your hands, only warm. Use good soap, or soap-flakes to make your lather, and don't stint it. If the water is hard, soften it by adding a little borax. Don't rub a delicate fabric, unless it is on a specially soiled part. Just squeeze it in the lather till it looks fresh and clean. Then rinse it in three waters, and again, if it is a delicate fabric, squeeze the water out instead of wringing. You may ladder woven silk by wringing. Dry any coloured frock or blouse as quickly as you can, but never in the sun, or you will get faded patches.

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EMPIRE NEWS

INDIANS MAY VOTE IN SOUTH AFRICA

JOHANNESBURG. It is reported that the Union Government is considering the granting of Parliamentary representation to Indians living in South Africa on similar lines to that enjoyed by natives.

The Indians, who have no vote at present, would elect Europeans to represent them.

The scheme is part of a general settlement of the Indian problem which is being considered by the Government. No round table conference will be held, but it is reported that the Minister of the Interior has signified his willingness to meet a delegation from India and discuss the matter.

The indications are that the Indian community would be more ready to accept the principle of residential segregation, if their commercial rights were safeguarded and they were granted an extension of political privileges.

7,000 Photographs of Marx.—Dr. Siphier, director of the Lowell Observatory, Arizona, announced recently, in Bloomington that he had taken there 7,000 photographs of the surface of Mars, many of them supporting his theories that vegetable life exists there. He said that his photographs had recorded every inch of the surface of the planet, and that he had noticed bright spots moving on the surface, which, he thought, must be cloud formations.

KENYA

REFUGEES RETURN TO ABYSSINIA

NAIROBI. Abyssinians, who fled into Kenya during the Italian conquest of 1935-6, are to be repatriated following negotiations with the Italian authorities, who have agreed not to victimise the refugees.

A first batch of 100 refugees is returning shortly. They have volunteered to leave Kenya and the Government is providing transport as far as the border and adequate food supplies for the journey.

£30,000 Survey Plan.—Another contribution amounting to £30,000 to Kenya's development has been made by the Colonial Development Fund for a three years' programme of geological and mineralogical survey. A new staff of geologists and prospectors has been recruited, and seven areas have been selected between Lake Victoria and the coast.

Native Policy Criticised.—Lord Francis Scott, Chairman of the European Electors' Members' Organisation, speaking in his constituency, said the Government had made a complete hash of the attempt to carry out destocking in the native reserves. Native policy and administration in Kenya had deteriorated to such a degree that the Government no longer had the respect of the native peoples.

"Oyez" Men Object To Amplifiers

TOWN CRIERS, rivals for championship honours at Lyme Regis, Dorset, recently, combined to protest against loudspeaker competition at a luncheon preceding the contest.

Alderman R. W. Baker, the host, deplored the "creeching" of the loudspeaker, and urged fiscal councils to stop it.

Mr. S. L. Morris, Town Crier (Bodmin) said that in Cornwall it was an unwritten law for criers to demand fees from persons using loud-speakers and Mr. S. Brund (Bideford) declared that in five years there would be no town criers unless they unified their rights.

The championship was won by Mr. B. T. Jones (Pewsey, Cornwall), after a relay by four competitors. Mr. W. Abbott (Lyme Regis), four times champion, was second.



"Strawberry Joe" Amoroso, centre, indicted as head of 200 guerrillas Louis (Lepke) Buchalter used to terrorize the New York garment industry, is escorted into court by his captor, Detective J. A. Thompson, left.

HE HAS £18 AND OWES A MILLION

CLAUDE RONALD ANSON, of the St. Regis, Cork-street, W., a pioneer of private flying, faced creditors at London Bankruptcy Buildings recently with liabilities a million pounds and £18 10s. assets.

His failure, it was stated, had been caused by giving guarantees and backing bills on behalf of E. D. Winn and Co., Ltd., Government contractors, who failed for £2,000,000. Mr. Anson was the managing director.

Mr. V. Armstrong, Assistant Official Receiver, said that about half the liabilities would rank against the estate; assets were a £3 10s. book debt and jewellery valued at £15.

Mr. Anson had said that he joined the Army at the outbreak of war, was wounded three times, and after 1916 was confined to his bed for two years.

On recovering his health he joined the board of E. D. Winn and Co., Ltd. That company handled large contracts with the Air Ministry and other Government bodies. When it was wound up Mr. Anson and his co-director, Sir Edward Every, were slated to have given personal guarantees to the company's creditors and backed bills involving many thousands of pounds.

In the last three years, Mr. Anson's only income had been director's fees and interest on loans, which had amounted to about £1,000 a year.

Mr. Percy Phillips, accountant, of Langham-street, W.C., was appointed trustee of the estate, to act with a committee of inspection.

A close friend of Mr. Anson said that Mr. and Mrs. Anson were among the pioneers of private flying. They used an aeroplane as others did a motor-car.

"REMARKABLE MAN"

Mr. Tim Wood was their private pilot for a long time and used to fly them all over England and many parts of Europe. They would land in such places as the frozen lake of St. Moritz and fields in the English countryside.

Their aeroplane, the S.T.18, was lost in the Timor Sea three years ago while on its way back to England after the London to Melbourne Air Race.

Tim Wood found himself obliged to land on a small coral reef in the south of the Indian Ocean.

He and his companions were picked up by a native fishing boat.

DISQUALIFIED ON EVE OF GRAND PRIX

STEWARDS of the Ulster Grand Prix motor-cycle race, which was held near Belfast recently, caused a surprise by deciding to enforce strictly the rule that in official practices the course must be covered at certain minimum speeds. This resulted in the disqualification of six riders, among them E. R. Thomas, who was to have ridden a German machine. There were 51 starters.

Clung to Rock 400ft. Up Cliff

AS Mr. Bernard Volle, a Londoner, and his fiancée, Miss Kathleen Baker, of Whitmore Road, West Harrow, sat on the cliff-top at Ilfracombe recently their picnic basket, containing the girl's handbag, rolled over the edge.

Mr. Volle climbed down the cliff in an attempt to find the articles, but came to a sheer drop of 400ft.

He tried to climb back. It was impossible and for an hour he clung to a rock.

Police and coastguards arrived, and Miss Baker saw them rescue her fiancée, who was in an exhausted condition.

"I'll never go cliff climbing again" Mr. Volle said on recovering. "It was terrifying."

A HATED LEADER

Goebbels Rose To Fame By Jew Baiting

The following commentary on the European situation was broadcast by Z.B.W. last night:

Dr. Goebbels who is at the moment prominent in the news is the most bitter and virulent of the triumvirate in Germany. His power of scurrying his opponents, chiefly the Jews and the Bolsheviks, two terms which to him are related as cause to effect, is a form of compensation for his physical deformity. He is the only intellectual among the three, and for that reason is the most likely to be the first to go, since Hitler hates the scholars with almost the same sort of intensity as the first Emperor of China hated the literati, whose books he burned.

Goebbels obtained his Ph. D. in the University of Berlin under the guidance of and with the assistance of two Jewish professors. It was also said that his wife was the widow of a Jew. That however did not prevent him from expending all his oratorical powers on pouring scorn upon them. It was the surest and quickest way to power under Hitler. Many tried it, but Goebbels did it better, more blindingly and with greater literary power than anyone else; hence his position.

From his speeches one gets the impression that he has finally come to believe in what he is saying. Constant repetition has registered conviction, and so confrontation with the new Russian-German pact it is impossible to believe that he, having learned the trick of denouncing Bolshevism, can now learn the new trick of praising it.

Public Dialkio

Numerous pleasing stories go round Germany about Goering, whose loving of uniforms is a legitimate town of jest, but those about Goebbels usually reflect the dislike of the people for this man with a deformed mind.

Goebbels' companion in the campaign against the Jews is in quite a different category. There is some skill and intellectual power in Goebbels, there is neither in Streicher. Even the Germans squint at and are rather ashamed of many of the stories and pictures that disgrace the pages of Der Sturmer, yet this paper is freely distributed and has special notice boards with glass covers, in every town and village in Germany where the whole paper can be read and studied publicly.

Nothing has done so much to discredit and disgrace the Nazi regime as the official approval and encouragement that is given to the circulation and to the exhibition of this squalid journal.

Hitler's Speech

There is a difference of opinion about the translation of Hitler's recent speech. Those in Hongkong who understand German and who listened in direct to the Danzig in the early hours of Wednesday morning say that there was no reference to a new and secret weapon such as a death ray, a new poison gas, or some form of germ warfare, but that the new weapon was the air arm which Germany had developed far beyond that of any other power, and that just as Britain was supreme on sea, so Hitler claimed that Germany was supreme in the air—a statement which is based evidently on ignorance of what Britain and France have achieved in the past two years. His point was that if Britain continued to use her sea power so, he said, to starve German women and children, he would use his new force, the aeroplane, in which he claimed that his supremacy was unchallenged, to strike at Britain.

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1.45 Glee—Concerto in A Minor, Op. 18.

Wilhelm Backhaus (Piano) and The New Symphony Orchestra conducted by John Barbirolli.

2.15 Close down.
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6.30 Closing local Stock Quotations.
6.32 Chorus.

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Written and devised by Gale Pedrick; Production by Roy Speer.
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7.51 Foreyside—Southern Holiday (A Fantasy of Negro Moods).

The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra directed by Henry Hall with Reginald Foreyside at the Piano.

8.0 Time, Weather and Announcements.
8.03 Puccini's "Madam Butterfly" Act III.

8.30 Concert Waltzes.
8.45 Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orchestra.

9.0 Studio—Comments on Recent Events.
9.15 London Relay—The News.

9.30 Hawaiian Selections.
9.40 Dance Music and Variety.
11.0 Close down.

War Casualties

6,000 Japanese Killed In A Fortnight

Chungking, Sept. 24.

According to information from military sources, the Japanese have lost 6,000 officers and soldiers killed in 200 battles at the different Chinese fronts in the first two weeks in August.

The heaviest losses suffered were in Hupei, Shansi and Suiyuan, the

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SHANGHAI DEFENCES

Shanghai, Sept. 24. Negotiations for a revision of the international defence plan in Shanghai are continuing at the instance of Japanese authorities.

In accordance with the agreement reached at the initial meeting of the commanders of foreign defence forces on September 14, the authorities of the Japanese Naval Landing Party have prepared a draft plan.

Representatives of the American, British and Italian garrisons, the Italian Consulate, the Shanghai Municipal Council, and the Japanese Naval Landing Party met again on Saturday at the Navy Club on North Szechuan Road to discuss the draft plan prepared by Japanese authorities. The meeting adjourned at noon.

Similar meetings will be continued with a view to reaching a final decision on the authority of the Shanghai Joint Defence Committee.—Domei.

Patrol By Japanese

Chungking, Sept. 24. Japanese troops are patrolling the new stretching from Kiangsi Road to Honan Road to the north of the Soochow Creek after the evacuation of the British "Tommy's". The sector remains quiet.—Central News.

number of dead being more than 4,500. Large quantities of war materials and munitions were captured.

More than 1,800 Shantung puppet troops recently mutilated and joined the Chinese.

In another part of the province more than a thousand puppet soldiers mutilated and killed 200 soldiers and officers of the Japanese.—International.

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Internee To Marry Soon

Fiancee's Application For Release

ELISE Rudek (nee Kreutzberger), has applied to the Registry Office for a licence for her marriage to Otto Hans Ahrens, journalist.

The bridegroom-to-be is an internee at La Salle College, and an application is being made for his release for the wedding.

Other couples announcing their forthcoming wedding are:

Mr. Timoleo Abolado, musician, to Miss Soledad Wong, of Ashley Road, Kowloon.

Mr. Johnson Lien, merchant, to Miss Piu-chai Tsao, of Prince Edward Road, Kowloon.

Mr. Lai Shun-tung, bank clerk, to Miss Wong Lai-shing, of Perfection Place, Tai Hing.

CONFISCATION QUERY

Court Has No Jurisdiction Over Python

Something unique in Crown Court cases was heard before Mr. Hunsworth at Kowloon Magistrate's Court Saturday when Lee Sing, 42, a Chinese of Chinese medicinal plants, was charged with cruelty to animals.

Inspector Rogers said as an attraction for prospective customers, Lee had several snakes in baskets. One, a small python was given a young chicken to eat before awaking it.

Inspector Rogers raised the question of confining the python as Lee might go elsewhere, he said, and do the same thing, but Mr. Hunsworth replied that the law provided that the animal subjected to cruelty could be confined.

Inspector Rogers said the chicken is inside the python.

Lee was fined \$10, in two weeks' time, if he is unable to pay the fine the Court will issue a distress warrant against the python.

NORTH POINT FIRE

Store Yard Suffers Extensive Damage

Considerable damage was done to goods stored in a match shed which broke out in the store-yard of the Chinese Ministry of Communications at North Point on Saturday.

The blaze occurred at noon, and seven appliances from Hongkong fire stations answered the call. Hoses were played on the flames on all sides, but it was over an hour before the fire-fighters succeeded in getting control.

The match shed, in which were stored miscellaneous goods, was totally destroyed. The goods suffered much damage from fire, heat and water.

Unofficial sources state that material in the store-yard is worth \$1,500,000.

Hundreds of people living in the vicinity watched the blaze, and rooftops were crowded.

BUMPED HIS HEAD

Man Dies After Quarrel In Wanchai Street

Following a squabble over a 50 cents mahjong debt, Yu Wai-ling, 28, is being held by the Police following the death of Yau Kam-hoi, 25, of 110 Lockhart Road ground floor.

It is alleged that Yu met Yau at 1 p.m. on Friday at the junction of Indie Road and Leung Road and demanded payment of a debt of 50 cents owing as the result of a mahjong game. Yau had no money and Yu caught him by the legs and bumped his head on the ground several times.

Yau's brother found him in a coma and on Saturday he was taken to the Queen Mary Hospital where he died from a fractured spine.

Yu was arrested yesterday in Wanchai.

Labour Sympathetic

Chinese Return From Europe

Mr. Chu Hsueh-fan, Chinese employee's delegate to the 25th International Labour Conference, arrived in Hongkong last week after a successful publicity tour in Europe.

Mr. Chu said the results of the conference had been satisfactory. At the meeting, a resolution was passed recognizing the important contribution China's two years' war of resistance had made to international labour interests.

The resolution, which was passed unanimously by delegates of 35 countries, declared that the world of labour held the greatest sympathy for China and would extend its assistance to China. Boycott against Japan would be intensified.

According to Mr. Chu, the widespread boycott movement against Japan by labour circles throughout the world was largely attributable to the conference's resolution.

Mr. Chu is making a short stay in Hongkong, drafting his report to the National Government.

Assistance For Students

In War Area In China

Ten Chinese delegates to the World Christian Youth's Conference held at The Hague in July returned by the Athens II yesterday.

Several resolutions concerning China were adopted at the conference. One advocates assistance to Chinese students forced out of school by the hostilities.

Aside from problems relating to Christianity, political, economic and diplomatic problems were also discussed, Mr. Chu said.

According to Miss Liang Chun-ching, another delegate, the entire body of women delegates sent a joint telegram to President Roosevelt after the conference expressing appreciation of the American decision to publish the 1911 Treaty of Commerce and Navigation with Japan and urging more positive aid to China.

Altogether 71 countries were represented, Germany, however, did not send any delegate.—Central News.

DANGEROUS DRIVING

British Soldier Advised To Plead Not Guilty

Sequel to a fatal accident in Repulse Bay Road, on September 4, was the appearance of Pte. Leslie Lansdell, of the Middlesex Regiment, before Mr. Forrest at Central Magistrate's Court on Saturday, charged with dangerous driving.

Sub-Ins. Clarke said Lansdell was driving a small Army truck and had rounded a right hand bend well on his own side of the road, but did a right-angle turn to the left, struck the parapet on the side of the road and plunged down the hillside for 50 feet.

A soldier, who was a passenger on the truck, was killed instantly.

Mr. Forrest advised Lansdell to plead not guilty, and adjourned the case to September 26. Lansdell was remanded in military custody.

PARKING OFFENCE

R. M. C. Dobbs, of Imperial Airways, was fined \$20 by Mr. Forrest at Central Magistrate's Court on Saturday, for overtime parking in Chater Road.

Sub-Ins. Clarke said that the car was left in Chater Road until September 2, when the Police took it to Central Station. Dobbs, on returning to the Colony from a short visit to Hongkong, found the car was not recovered.

Mr. Lo Yu-hing reported that his car, an Austin tourist, No. 3134 was stolen between 6.45 a.m. and 6.50 p.m. yesterday outside No. 31 Puk Wah Street; later the car was recovered.

In Hongkong Mr. Su Man-wo, of 18 Staunton Street, reported the loss of his car, a Morris No. 2427, from the Hongkong and Kowloon Ferry car park, between 11 p.m. on Saturday and 11 p.m. on Sunday, but his car, too, was recovered.

GIRL ADMITS THEFTS

Mui Tsai with Bad Record At S. C. A.

"You are making a very bad start in life in spite of all the facilities afforded you," said Mr. Hunsworth at Kowloon Magistrate's Court on Saturday when Chai Yuen-wah, 17, a girl was charged with stealing money and jewellery from Wong Wah-lan.

Inspector Rogers said Chan was the niece of the principal tenant. On September 1 Wong discovered \$18.20 missing from her suitcase. On September 12 a gold finger ring was missing and on September 13 six silver dollars. She suspected Chan and questioned her and Chan admitted stealing the money but not the finger ring. Only \$3.20 was recovered.

Mr. Fraser of the S.C.A. said Chan was a registered mui tsai and on March 21 'became' the adopted daughter of Chan Kong-lui. The woman inspector of the S.C.A. had been visiting her since 1931 and had always reported that Chan was disobedient and of an unruly nature. She also stole from her adopted mother while in her custody.

Inspector Rogers said the ring had not been recovered and the second charge was dropped.

Sentence of \$10, or three weeks on the first charge, and \$10, or three weeks on the third charge, sentences to run consecutively, was passed.

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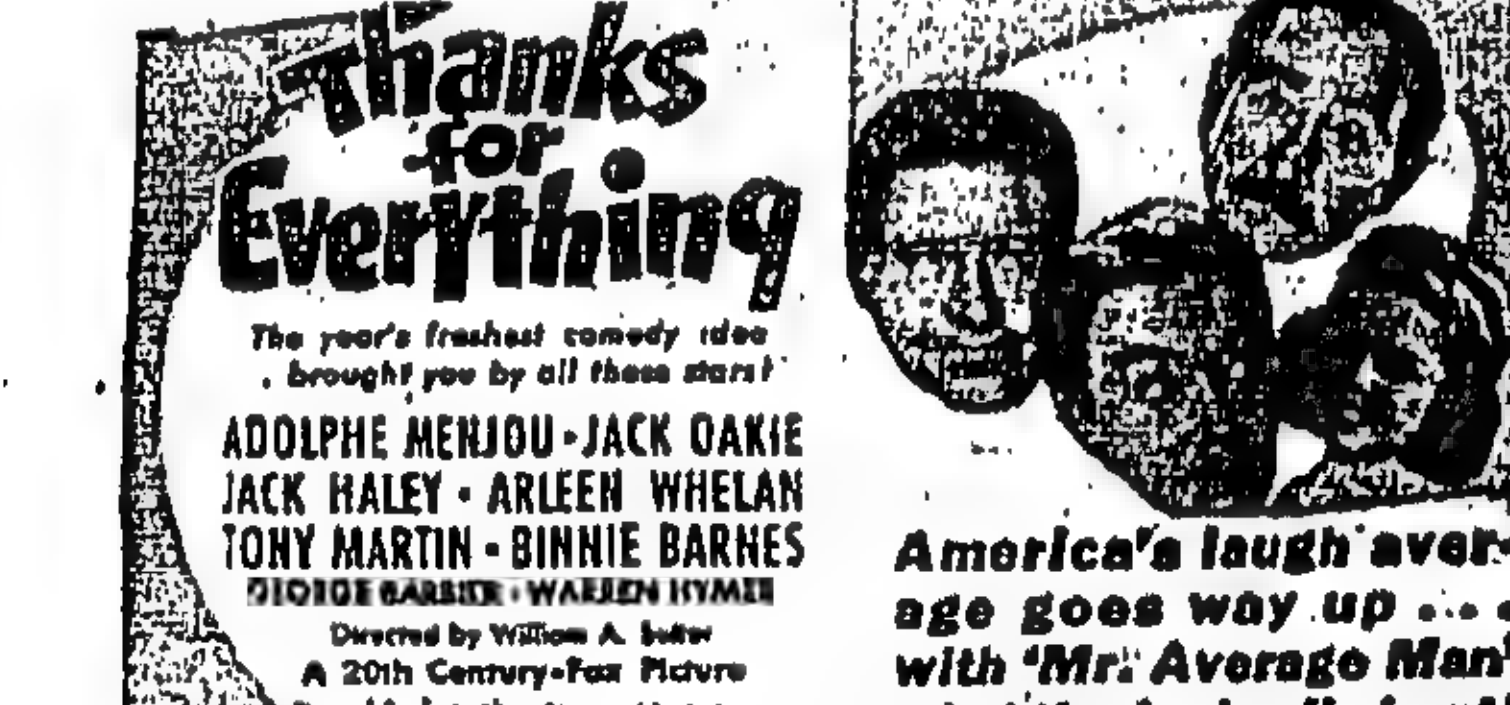


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FULL HORROR OF NAZI THREAT TO RAZE CITY BECOMING APPARENT

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WARSAW, CITY OF A MILLION INHABITANTS, IS IN FLAMES.

ITS MAGNIFICENT GOTHIC BUILDINGS ARE IN RUINS. THOUSANDS OF ITS PEOPLE ARE DEAD AND DYING.

The full horror of the Nazi threat to lay waste the city has now become apparent.

DESPERATE PLIGHT

By morse—Warsaw Radio is finally out of action—the heroic defenders in the most amazing siege the world has ever witnessed told the world to-day of their desperate plight.

MARINERS PAROLED

U-Boat Commander Extracts Pledge

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—The choice between giving their word to keep off the sea for the rest of the war, and of remaining prisoners in a German submarine until they could be landed and interned was the dramatic experience of the captain and officers of the British ship Truro (974 tons), when they were taken aboard a U-boat.

The ship belongs to the Ellerman's, Wilson Line Ltd., and was built in 1922.

One of the officers, when interviewed today, said that the German Commander of the U-boat told them: "If you break your parole, you will have to take the consequences."

The officers were taken aboard the submarine to interview the commander, after which they returned to the boat.

The crew were given cigarettes and beer, and then turned adrift.

Thirty-three hours later they were picked up by a Belgian vessel and have now returned to safety.

Swedish Ship Sunk

OSLO, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—The Swedish cargo boat Gertrudbratt was sunk by German submarines, thought to be assisted by a plane, off the south coast of Norway this morning.

The crew took to the boats and landed safely.

En Route To England

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

OSLO, Sept. 24 (UP).—A German submarine has torpedoed the Swedish steamer Gertrud off Lillestrand on the Norwegian coast.

The vessel was carrying a cargo of cellulose from Sweden to England. Twenty members of the crew were picked up by Norwegian trawler. It is understood that the submarine was accompanied by an airplane.

Unhappy Sub Crews

LONDON, Sept. 24 (British Wireless).—"Twenty-eight days at sea, haunted all the time by the knowledge that every man's hand, as well as the sea itself, is against you."

"That is today, the situation of the German U-Boats on the trade routes of the Atlantic before the Declaration of War."

This is part of the bulletin issued by the Ministry of Information tonight. It continues:

"Twenty-eight days of ceaseless strain in cramped quarters must tend to sap the morale of the young submarine crews."

"The available resources of the trained German submarine personnel are limited."

Strain On Crews

"The strain on U-Boat crews must be great, for German submarine warfare has been maneuvered in uncertain terms by the anti-submarine craft of the Royal Navy."

"The moral effect of depth charges on U-boat crews is intensified by the knowledge, from bitter experience, that the Royal Navy can detect and hunt them with an efficiency never dreamt of in the last war."

"It is when a submarine—short of vital supplies, torpedoes, fuel, food"

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This is what they said:
"German artillery and air bombardment still continue at a terrific rate."

"There is not one house in the whole of Warsaw which has not been damaged."

"THE CITY FIGHTS ON"

"But the city fights on."

The last five words in the report epitomises the heroism of the defenders.

Death stalks throughout the area surrounded by overwhelming German hordes.

Nowhere in Warsaw itself, or in its suburbs of Praga, across the Vistula River, and Modlin, is there freedom from the carnage of the most intense artillery and aerial bombardment the world has ever known.

CAMPAIGN OF HORROR

Not for one moment have the Nazis let up in their campaign-of-horror-against-a-city-defended-only-by-its citizens and a handful of soldiers.

"Both Warsaw and Modlin have been subjected to murderous fire without an interval," the morse operator said, as he tapped out his dramatic story.

"OVER 100 GREAT FIRES"

"People have been killed or wounded in every house in the city."

"All the capital's historic buildings are in ruin."

"In 24 hours, over 100 great fires have started."

"The death roll among our civilians numbers thousands."

"In addition to the shelling, we have suffered two air raids."

"Modlin is attacked from all sides, but the heroic defence continues."

"Enemy attacks from the east have been repulsed. West of the Vistula River, the Polish forces have made three successful night attacks, and have taken several prisoners."

"The defence of Warsaw will continue. The spirit of the troops and the civil population is excellent."

More than a hundred siege guns are laying down an artillery barrage which, beginning at one end of the city, is methodically searching out every point in the form of a creeping barrage.

Barrage Bites Deep

As the barrage bites deeper into Warsaw, it leaves behind it a scene of carnage and destruction unspeakably horrifying in its finality. Nothing remains of the area bombarded but ruins and pock-holes.

Civilians who do not retreat into the city before the barrage almost certainly face death.

After remaining silent for 20 hours, Warsaw Radio dramatically resumed operations this morning.

The same announcer was at his post.

He apologetically explained the stoppage of Warsaw's programmes by stating that a Nazi bomb had temporarily wrecked the transmitter.

Many Buildings Crumble

"We will remain on the air as long as we can," the announcer said, and added that the bombardment had been renewed with unprecedented intensity.

Among the many fine buildings in Warsaw destroyed by the German artillery are the Presidential Palace, the ancient Royal Palace, four hospitals, St. Saviour's Cathedral, the Municipal Army flats, the Prudential Life building, largest skyscraper in the city, the beautiful Gothic Museum of Fine Arts, and others equally famous.

Incendiary Bombs

Adding to the horror, the Germans are using incendiary shells and bombs, and big fires are raging in several quarters of the city.

At one stage over 100 separate fires had started in the city. Bursting water mains added to the difficulty.

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"The heart of Poland hath not ceased to quiver,
"Though her sacred blood doth drown the fields."

—Anonymous.



The Presidential Palace in Warsaw, now buried in ruins

Mussolini's Move To End War

NAZI STRATEGY IF PLAN FAILS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Sept. 25 (UP).—If Signor Mussolini's present efforts for peace fail, it is believed that Germany has made plans for her autumn campaign to be based on three factors.

Firstly, Germany will make extensive use of her air force against British ports, naval and industrial centres;

Secondly, submarine warfare will be concentrated against British shipping in an effort to counteract the "hunger blockade" and produce a shortage of food in Britain itself;

Thirdly, Germany will refrain from launching a heavy frontal attack against the Maginot Line, believing that if Congress agrees to lift the arms embargo, Germany will intensify her campaign in an effort to defeat the Allies before arms, purchased from the United States can play an effective role.

Troop Movements

Reliable sources confirm that troop movements are already under way from the eastern to the Rhine front. However, it is believed that the bulk of the 83 divisions used by Germany to crush Poland are still stationed in the east. Between thirty-five and 40 divisions are believed to be entrenched behind the western wall of steel—the Siegfried Line.

Troops Concentrate

LONDON, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—Unconfirmed reports from the continent state that large concentrations of German troops are taking place in the Black Forest, opposite the Swiss frontier.

German Determination

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Sept. 24 (UP).—Informants here have flatly declared to "United Press" that Germany will seek to force a decision on the Western Front within the coming twelve months.

"It is ridiculous to assume that Germany will idly wait behind the West Wall while England, unhindered, continues to attempt to defeat Germany with a blockade," they declare.

TO KEEP OUT THE BELLIGERENTS

New Scheme By The American Nations

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BALBOA, C.Z., Sept. 24 (UP).—It is reliably reported that the American nations will propose creating a band of "Area of primary defence" 300 miles wide around the continent in which they will forcibly prohibit any belligerent activity of non-American nations.

It is learned that several delegations have suggested this plan, differing only in the width of the defence band.

The proposal has not yet been formally made, pending the plenary session next Monday.

Neutrality This Week

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Sept. 24 (UP).—Senator Key Pittman is hopeful of introducing neutrality legislation in the middle of the week.

Meanwhile, the minority group in the Senate—Foreign-Relations-Committee have completed a draft which they will submit to the full Committee on Monday.

A "United Press" compilation shows 51 Senators will support the President. About 24 will oppose, and 20 are doubtful.

Russo-Estonian Trade Pact

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

MOSCOW, Sept. 24 (UP).—The Estonian Foreign Minister, Mr. Kure Selten, has arrived here ostensibly to negotiate a trade pact with Russia.

It is understood that he is also empowered to carry out a political and territorial discussion with the Turkish Foreign Minister, who is due to arrive here Monday.

It is rumoured that a Yugoslav envoy has arrived, although it is officially denied.

CAROL AT FUNERAL

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BUCHAREST, Sept. 24 (UP).—King Carol of Rumania, wearing uniform, was the chief mourner at an impressive service held for the funeral of the assassinated Premier, M. Armand Calinescu.

Following the service the cortege left on a special train for the village of Curtice, where the remains will be interred.

SHOTS FIRED IN TIENTSIN

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TIENTSIN, Sept. 25 (UP).—British and Japanese troops exchanged fire at 3.30 a.m. to-day.

The incident occurred on the perimeter of the British Concession where Racecourse Road enters the Chinese part of the city.

Japanese sentries fired at three sampans which were attempting to run the blockade by leaving the British concession, in an effort to avoid being left high and dry by receding flood waters.

A British patrol rushed to the boundary of the Concession as soon as the Japanese shots were heard.

When a Japanese bullet whined over the British patrol, one round of fire each was returned by the British soldiers.

The firing then ceased. It is understood that neither side sustained casualties. The fate of the boat people is unknown.

3 DIE IN WEST POINT BLAZE

THOUSANDS of lineal feet of dry timber stored at the Tung On Timber Yard provided ample material this afternoon for the most spectacular fire in the Colony for many months.

The conflagration, which started at 12.15 p.m., is believed to have claimed the lives of three children, who are reported missing.

The charred remains of one body have already been recovered from the ashes of a matchbox on the fore-shore adjoining the burnt property. The conflagration occurred less than a hundred yards from the Lopers Home and Isolation Hospital, which, fortunately, were to the windward of the blaze.

Six fire engines were called out and succeeded in gaining control of the situation by 2.30 p.m.

Waterfront Threat

But at one stage the fire threatened to turn the entire waterfront into a raging inferno, due to the strong monsoon wind, and it was necessary to call out the harbour fire float as a precautionary measure.

The timber yard was completely gutted.

The Chung Shing Building shed, some sixty yards upwind of the blaze, escaped destruction though it had intermittently been sprayed with a hose.

The fire was greatly assisted by the keen easterly wind, and in a very short space of time, the fire, which had presumably started somewhere in the east part of the yard, had spread throughout. Trees along the roadside withered under the terrific heat.

Thousands of people lined the waterfront and roadway to witness the fire, the flames from which were rising to some 150 feet. The western end of the yard appeared to be that in which the greater part of the wood

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LATEST

Hankow "Blockade"

HANKOW, Sept. 23 (Reuter).—What little remains of foreign business in the Wuhan cities is rapidly being killed as a result of the virtual "blockade" of Hankow by the Japanese.

The latest Japanese action has been to close the Chini Inland Motors, an American concern, and the last foreign garage in the city, due to the alleged impossibility of obtaining permits from the Japanese with which to secure the necessary spare parts.

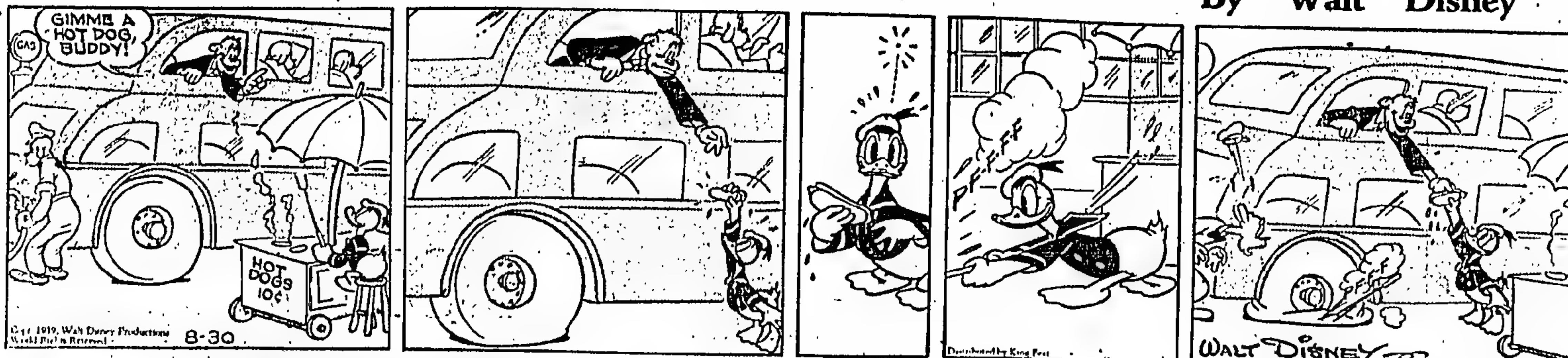
Meanwhile, due to the continued closure of the Yangtze to foreign shipping, the position of the Chinese dollar and the outbreak of war in Europe, many imported necessities cannot be obtained. One noticeable change in the situation recently has been the moderation of the Japanese attitude towards Britons and other foreigners, although the Japanese-controlled Chinese press continues to belabour Great Britain.

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WEST POINT BLAZE CLAIMS THREE LIVES.—This afternoon's fire at West Point, which claimed three lives, and threatened the adjoining Kennedy Town Isolation Hospital.

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A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

Sept. 25, 1889.
It would appear that Shanghai is still a long way in front of Hongkong in the ship-building line—the report of the trial trip of the steamer Pao Ching, Doubtless, the cause of this is that our local Dock Company has never had a chance of constructing a steamer of over 1,000 tons.

25 YEARS AGO

Sept. 25, 1914.
A Petrograd telegram reports that the Russians have occupied Jaroslav fortress, a most important railway centre in Russian Galicia. (Armen occupied by Russians last week—Ed.) The cruisers Aboukir, Iliouze and Cressy have been sunk by submarines in the North Sea.
The Aboukir was torpedoed and the Iliouze and Cressy, while standing by to save the crew, were also torpedoed. A considerable number were saved by another warship division, destroyers, trawlers and boats. A message from Ymuiden, near Amsterdam, states that a steamer has arrived with 25 British survivors of the torpedoed cruisers. There are one dead and a few wounded. Eighty survivors of the torpedoed cruisers have landed at Harwich. It is estimated that seven hundred are saved. Thirty officers rescued from the sea landed uninjured, dressed in socks, shawls, etc.

Five German submarines attacked the cruisers. Other British cruisers and torpedo-boats rushed to their assistance and it is reported that they destroyed two submarines. Steamers are bringing survivors and wounded to Ymuiden.
A further report from Ymuiden states that the Aboukir and then the Iliouze were torpedoed. This took place at six in the morning. It is reported that the Cressy sank two of the submarines before she herself was torpedoed. The Cressy sank at eight o'clock.

We notice that just before the great European war broke out great preparations were being made in the United States for the political campaigns and conventions which lie ahead. At the moment of course, interest in American politics is not so compelling as it would be if affairs were proceeding along normal lines in other parts of the world, but, all the same, there are special features about the contests soon to take place which raise the issues above the place of mere domestic or internal happenings.

10 YEARS AGO

Sept. 25, 1929.
The 22-year-old Cunard liner Mauretania established three more remarkable records yesterday when she completed her outward crossing of the Atlantic in 4 days 17 hours 40 minutes, beating her own previous best-time for the journey by four hours.

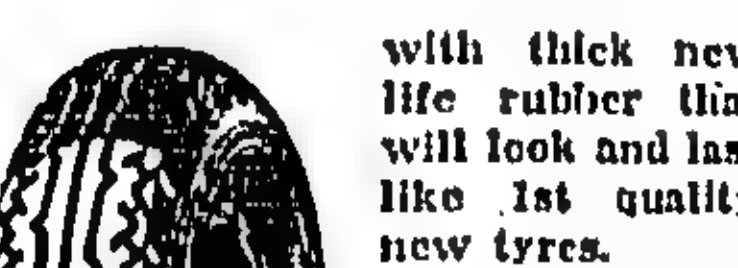
5 YEARS AGO

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Victor McLaglen and Douglas Dumbrille battle each other in a flat fight during the course of Hal Roach's "Captain Fury," now showing at the King's Theatre.

BELGIUM HAS HER "SUDETEN"

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"spiritual" unity is nothing more or less than the annexation of the Flemish provinces of Belgium by Germany!

All this propaganda is well known to the Belgian authorities, but they are unwilling to disturb their relations with Germany by having a check put on it. However, public opinion forces them to act, as for instance, in the Winterslag incident, when a Nazi journalist called Ehler addressed a meeting of Flemish Nationalists, and when asked by a policeman to produce his identity papers, refused and impudently remarked that "soon we shall be here," questions in Parliament led to his expulsion.

How exactly all this activity is financed, is a mystery. One method, that through so-called "Poehls vouchers," has been stopped.

The "Poehls vouchers" were so named after their originator, a commercial attaché at the German Legation in Brussels, who had them issued under the pretext of aiding needy Germans resident in Belgium. In point of fact, they were used to subsidize propagandist activities, and when this was discovered, the bank responsible for handling them, refused to do so any more.

It is true that at the moment, the support which all this activity evinces in Belgium is very small. Nevertheless, this should be attributed to the comparatively small scale of Nazi efforts, than to successful opposition.

It must be recognised that the Flemings, the majority of the population of Belgium, always have been, and remain to-day rather of pro-German than pro-French sympathies.

A Flemish gentleman with whom I discussed the matter gave his opinion that unless some effort were made to check Nazi penetration in the Flemish provinces, the effect of a sudden intensification of propaganda, which might follow a quarrel with the Belgian Government, might be disastrous for the integrity of the Belgian nation.

So far the rift between the Flemings and the Walloons has been rather passive in character, but the essentials for a deep rift are there, and it only needs the sort of stimulus that the separatists of Czechoslovakia, such as Henlein, Hlinka, Tiso, Voleshin, and others received, to curdle the Belgian nation into two opposing national camps—a condition ideal for the "restoration of order" by the very same people who begin the trouble.

The independence of Belgium is a prerequisite of British and French security.

HOLLAND'S DEFENCES ARE STRONG

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of which consisted exclusively of men six feet high.

"That is wonderful indeed," Queen Wilhelmina said smilingly. "But our Waterline is seven feet deep."

Witty as this reply may be, it is not quite correct as the great military value of the Waterline lies in the fact that the bottom of it is uneven and that for the greater part of it is too deep to enable the crossing of an army, but not deep enough to prevent the use of boats; even in the shallowest parts wading is made impossible by the innumerable canals which traverse the fields everywhere and which would become deathtraps to anyone who would try to cross the line even on horseback.

There are millions of these canals throughout Holland. Many of them have been deepened for the important part they would play in case of an emergency. In the regions which are not to be flooded they will cause great difficulties to the enemy's artillery, the more so as the soil in all lower parts of the country is extremely soft and watery. This is clearly shown by the results of an experiment the General Staff has made only a few months ago.

THE war Ministry placed an order for a number of medium-weight tanks of types which might be used in an attack on Holland, with armament factories abroad. The tanks arrived and were driven to the pasture land of which most Dutch provinces—especially the West—mainly consist. There the tanks immediately began to behave oddly. They made some strange movements, like donkeys that refuse to go forward or like young horses trying to throw off their riders, "covered" the distance of five or six feet in this way, and then sank into the soil to stay there like monuments of stupidity.

Only one of them succeeded in going on for a dozen or more yards. Then there was a small canal, very shallow and only a few feet wide. The tank was supposed to take a small obstacle like this with the greatest ease. In practice, however, it put its nose into the water, lifted its back up into the air, and moved no more. It had to be dismantled to be taken away at all. From that day Dutch staff officers do not fear very much an invasion of Holland by means of armoured cars and tanks.

THE Dutch soldier is an extraordinary ordinary type. With the British he has a common trait of character that is not often found in continental armies: he likes personal responsibility much more than blind obedience.

He accepts discipline because he likes to, not for sheer love of discipline, like for example, the German soldier. If he is allowed to think for himself, the Dutch soldier does his work twice as well as when he has to act on command.

Dutch officers know that and they respect it. With the magnificent result that during the international tension of April last, when the Dutch frontier defences were unexpectedly strengthened by thousands of men in many barracks not one internal command had to be given, the soldiers did the routine work, even the universally hated jobs, by mutual agreement and without the officers having to bother.

GRIPPS GALA PROVES THEY'VE GOT SOMETHING

HONGKONG'S 1939-40 season opened hoisterously at the Grippe on Saturday night.

The triple attraction of a new Swing Band, the Ormonde Sisters, and U.S. Thompson's twinkling feet brought along a crowd which taxed not only the capacity of the dance floor but also of the surroundings, and it was necessary to take over the entire first floor of the Hongkong Hotel for the occasion.

Although suffering from fever with a temperature of 103, Joan, pretty brunette member of the English Ormonde sisters dancing duo, overrode the disappointment of a Hongkong doctor called in to attend to her at 9 p.m., and made two appearances with her sister to score a success which repaid her for her pluck. The sisters, whose presentation of modernistic and classical numbers covered over the large floor in its enthusiasm hardly gave them space in which to work, were forced to cancel their final number, Joan finally collapsing under the strain.

Gripps patrons were treated to singing in the Benny Goodman manner by Nick Korin's Swing Band, which also made its debut in the Colony. Appreciation of the crowd was manifest in the demands for encores which finally resulted in appeals through the microphone for less enthusiasm, owing to interference with the scheduled cabaret performances.

Another artist who brightened the evening was the coloured tap-dancer, U.S. Thompson. His antics as he tapped his way up and down a block of wooden steps were very clever and were presented with good showmanship. Thompson was very generous with his response to clamorous demands for encores.

UNIVERSITY AQUATIC MEETING

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The Seventh Annual Inter-Hotel Aquatic Sports of the Hongkong University Swimming Club will take place on Saturday, September 30, commencing at 2 p.m., in the European Y.M.C.A. pool. Heats will be held on Wednesday at 2 p.m.

Acting Vice-Chancellor, Professor K. H. Digby, has kindly agreed to be the patron of the event. The club has consented to present the prizes.

The events this year will include, as usual, an invitation relay and a past students' handicap, while an innovation, in the shape of a ladies' undergraduates' free style relay, is being introduced.

The Inter-Hotel Aquatic Sports were instituted in 1933, four years after the founding of the Swimming Club. From 1933 to 1936 Rice Hall was repeatedly victorious, but in the intervening years Morrison Hall has gained the supremacy. All members and friends of the University are cordially invited to attend.

OUR GUIDE TO THE CINEMAS

"Captain Fury" (King's, to-day).—Brian Aherne as the convict who became the Robin Hood of Australia, with Victor McLaglen co-starred as his light-fingered lieutenant. Story of a struggle of settlers, led by Fury, against the oppression of a landowner. Full of action and suspense. Fred Lusk, Joan Carradine, George Zucco, Douglas Dumbrille, June Lang and Virginia Field have the chief roles.

"Dramatic School" (Queen's, to-day).—The rivalry and ambition of two girls from widely differing strata of society at a Finsbury dramatic academy throws into brilliant relief the struggles, joys, heartaches, jealousies, feuds and final triumph that mark their rise to stardom. Starring Lulu Rainer, Paulette Goddard, with Alan Marshall and Lana Turner.

"Three Smart Girls Grow Up" (Alhambra, to-day).—Dorothy Durbill straightening out the love affairs of two older sisters and singing a few songs in a fresh and entertaining sequel to "Three Smart Girls." Nan Gray, Helen Parrish, Charles Win- niker, Robert Cummings and William Lundigan have the supporting parts.

"Confessions of a Nazi Spy" (Oriental, to-day).—Edward G. Man- Robinson exposes a German spy in the United States and brings about the conviction of four of its members. Incidents closely follow the spy ring exposure and trial last year in New York. Francis Lederer, George Sanders, Paul Lukas, Henry O'Neill and Lya Lys make a good job of the plot.

"Return of the Cisco Kid" (Majestic, to-day).—Western melodrama continuing the adventures of the Mexican bandit first portrayed by Warner Baxter in "In Old Arizona." He returns to Arizona to rob a rapscallion and return the latter's ill-gotten gains to his victims. Lynn Bari, Cesar Romero, Henry Hull and C. Henry Gordon have the chief supporting roles.

"Gunga Din" (Cathay, to-day).—Special feature war melodrama against a background of India and a Thug rebellion of the 19th century. Victor McLaglen, Cary Grant and Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., as three army sergeants, are the chief figures in battle scenes and barracks room humours. Sam Jaffe is the humble water carrier of the band who sacrifices himself to save the regiment.

GOVERNOR JOINS THE R.A.F.

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH".—Air Chief Marshal Sir Robert Brooke Popham is relinquishing his appointment as Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Kenya, to take up duty with the Royal Air Force.

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U.S. Neutrality

THE proposals which the American Congress will debate when it re-assembles in Washington today are of a momentous nature.

President Roosevelt has requested, in effect, that the United States abandon the incongruous Neutrality Act, which has controlled much of the foreign policy of the country since 1937, and reverts to International Law.

Under International Law it would be permissible for Americans to sell war implements to belligerents, providing the belligerents make available the cash to pay for them and the ships to carry them across the Atlantic. Under the existing legislation, which the President has protested, it is perfectly permissible for Americans to sell wheat, cotton, copper, steel and other raw materials to belligerents—and to ship these supplies to them in American ships, sending American vessels into the war zone. Yet it is not permissible to ship guns, ammunition or other implements of war to countries engaged in the conflict. One of the first effects of this law was to prevent the delivery to France of 600 airplane motors which were being made in the United States for the French Government when war broke out.

During the Great War the trade of the United States in raw materials sold to Great Britain, France and their allies was three times as great as its trade in actual war munitions sent to those countries. Thus if it is assumed that America was drawn into that war by having built up an economic stake on the side of the Allies, the raw materials were three times as much a factor in building up that stake as were the munitions sold.

A rejection of President Roosevelt's proposals for amendment of the existing Neutrality Act will be no guarantee of American abstention from war. Indeed, there are grounds for believing that the Congressional rejection of previous efforts by President Roosevelt to amend the law was, in fact, an encouragement to Germany to invade Poland, since there is no doubt that, so far, American sources of supply have been closed to the nations in the defensive alliance.

If Congress adopts President Roosevelt's appeal that arms and ammunition be placed in the same category with all other commodities and applies the "cash-and-carry" principle to them, it should provide the maximum of possible security from war for the United States, and at the same time aid those nations who are fighting aggression.

As Mr. Roger Babson, the well-known U.S. statistician now visiting Hongkong, said in an address last Friday, America cannot afford

Large concentrations of Nazi troops near the frontiers of Belgium and the Netherlands suggest that one of those two countries may provide a channel through which the German military leaders will attempt to flank the impregnable Maginot Line. Below, "Telegraph" writers review the defences—and the weaknesses—of the two northern States.

Belgium Has Her "Sudeten"

IT IS a pity that most people who visit Belgium do not venture beyond the coast and Brussels, the capital, and do not penetrate into the beautiful forested Ardennes country.

Part of the Ardennes is inhabited by former Germans; the people of the so-called "redeemed provinces" of Eupen and Malmédy, where a silent, but none the less important battle is at present going on between those of the inhabitants who are satisfied with the extraordinarily liberal administration of the Belgian Government, and those who wish for an Anschluss with the National-Socialist Reich.

THE latter are organised in the "Heimattreue front" or True to the Homeland Front, which gets both its extensive financial resources and its spiritual inspiration from the Bund Der Deutschen im Ausland, the Deutscher Fichte Bund and other organisations in Germany which aim at including the National-Socialist philosophy among all peoples which might in any way be deemed of Germanic origin.

Included in the activities of the Heimattreuefront are the usual sub-sections: Hitler Youth; League of German Maidens, and so on. Money is collected for the Winter Help, in some cases in sizeable sums, if one takes the smallness of the territory into account. So-called "gymnastics clubs," and "gliding clubs," which exist in Eupen and Malmédy are but a cloak for irredentist political activity among young people, who are the backbone of the Nazi movement.

ON the other side stands the powerful influence of the Catholic Church, and the smaller, but still important voice of German Socialists, who like the Catholics have before them the example of events in the Reich to dissuade them from joining in the Heimattreuefront.

The loyal section of Belgium's "Sudetenlanders" are thus the older generation, whose cohesion in the "Democratic Front" is cemented by people like the ex-servicemen, to whom the bellicose philosophy of Nazi Germany is anathema.

In the last communal elections, even in Eupen, where the Heimattreuefront is strongest, the anti-Nazi parties won a majority of votes.

This majority, however, was in most cases very narrow indeed, and in point of fact, the casual visitor to the "redeemed provinces" is rather given the impression that the elections should have gone the other way round.

German style peaked caps, the distinctive mark of the adherent to the Heimattreuefront, are everywhere in evidence, while a careful look at the stand by as a spectator if there is any possibility that Great Britain and France will be defeated by Germany. Hence, it is to her advantage that the democracies be strengthened, and not weakened, in their fight against the aggression. The existing Neutrality legislation weakens our resistance; the amendments proposed by President Roosevelt are the best reinforcements his country can offer us—short of going to war.

button-holes of the young will reveal many tiny swastikas.

THE attitude of the Belgian Government and of the man in the street on the question becomes apparent very soon.

So far, there has been none of the concentration of German propagandist forces which was seen in Danzig, and other territories finally annexed by the Reich, previous to their occupation by German troops.

But the majority of Belgians will tell you that should Eupen and Malmédy ever become a problem

by J. MICHAEL

likely to lead to armed conflict, the territories would be transferred with little argument and less regret. They have little economic value, and are a thorn in the side of the tranquility-loving people of Belgium.

On the other hand, the attitude of the Government has changed in recent years. In spite of the fact that the electorate is of the opinion of the administration, the latter would not be as ready to hand the territories over.

So far, the Belgian Government has been leading an "independent" foreign policy, which lead them last year to hold military manoeuvres on the French frontier, "so as not to annoy the German Government." But in official circles, it is realised that if Belgium should have to make a choice between the Democracies and the Nazis, there is no doubt that the Democracies would find her at their side.

IN such an eventually, the areas of Eupen, Malmédy and St. Vith would assume a particular importance. As Monsieur Jules M. Mathieu, the Governor of Liege, explained to me, Belgium's main line of defence lies behind the "Redeemed Provinces," which are thus an invaluable field of fire for the powerful line of steel and concrete, which guards the eastern frontier.

"For some 40 kilometres," he said, "an invading army would at present be subjected to the punishment of our forts."

"If those territories are handed back to Germany, the Reich's frontier would be brought to within a few thousand yards of the forts, whose effectiveness would thus be impaired to an enormous extent."

There is another side to the question which the more far-sighted of Belgian politicians have in mind, and which is the problem of Flanders, whose people constitute the majority of Belgium's population.

It has not been unnoticed that every time a territory is handed back to the Reich, the Government which agrees to the concession is no longer as free from foreign influences as formerly; the most extreme example of this is Czechoslovakia.

This is a very important factor for Belgium, because Nazi penetration is not confined to the "Redeemed Provinces," but is becoming increasingly active among the Flemings.

Last April, for example, a group of students from the University of Ghent were invited to visit Cologne. There they were subjected to a constant stream of propaganda. They were told in a lecture by Professor Martin Spahn that the National-Socialist Reich takes a particular interest in the Flemings, whom it considers to be a pure racial group of Germanic origin, and that the time for them to return to their natural German orbit has arrived.

In all the main towns of Belgium, there exist groups of the League of Germans Abroad, the whole "country-group" of Belgium being organised by a certain Herr Schultze, living in Brussels.

The Belgian Nazis publish a daily paper, which is circulated among all Germans living in Belgium, and at the same time, take an active part in Flemish Nationalist politics.

In this respect, they were instrumental in founding at Antwerp the "National-Socialistische Vlaamische Arbeiderspartij"—the National Socialist Flemish Workers' Party—whose official organ "Fatherland and Work" is headed by two large swastikas, and whose avowed aim is to achieve "the spiritual unity of the people's community in Low-German Flanders with other ethnographic German communities." The written matter makes it clear that this

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HOLLAND'S DEFENCES are STRONG

NEUTRALITY is a wonderful thing, if you can defend it.

The fate of small countries wishing to be neutral but unable to help themselves in an emergency shows that the finest proclamation of neutrality is worth nothing if such countries have to depend on the courtesy of others to respect it.

The Dutch know that, and are taking the necessary precautions. Any one who feels inclined to sneer at these measures, made by so small a country, should have been cured by the recent sharp fall of the guilder, and attributed by experts to the burden of strengthening the country's defences.

If this loss at the stock exchange did not convince the doubter he should make a trip to Holland and look for himself.

He will still find a country of seaside resorts, rich pastures, gardens, cows, and windmills, but if he uses his eyes, he will see a lot more than that.

THE unusual number of warships in and around the port on his arrival may not impress him very much, but he will become thoughtful when, shortly before passing the first bridge across a canal, the train guards will start closing all carriage windows—in spite of heat and closeness, rigorous prohibiting the passengers to throw cigarette end or anything else out of the train or to open the windows again.

For the bridge, like every other important bridge throughout Holland, is provided with a blasting-charge and is ready to be blown up at any moment.

This is the case even with one of the finest and newest bridges in the country: the one near Dordrecht, a marvel of bridge-building, which has been under construction for several years.

Now, at last, the work is finished and the bridge has just been opened to traffic. . . . but with a blasting-charge in its inner parts! It is one of the wonders of our civilisation that, whereas the construction took such a long time, the destruction can be carried out within two seconds.

The defence of bridges—which in the Spanish Civil War have proved to be of the same strategic significance in modern warfare as in the past—is by no means restricted to their blowing up; on the contrary, this is only the last straw, as one can see when passing the bridges by car.

At both ends of a bridge of some importance in any area near the frontier (and which area of that small country is near the frontier?) vast numbers of iron poles are placed in deep holes in the pavement, rising three or four feet above the street level.

The Dutch soldier, whose humour is typical of the Army's spirit, has already nicknamed them "asparagus." These asparagus sticks leave only a small part of the bridge's width open to traffic and that remaining part, if an emergency arises, can be blocked in the same way in less than a minute.

In many cases the precautions go further still: there you will find, standing upright in the pavement, a bundle of what could have been sewer-pipes, solidly joined to each other. These pipes are to be filled with cement, which in a couple of seconds, transforms the obstacle into one solid block of concrete, which no vehicle, no tank or armoured car can possibly pass and which cannot be demolished except by blowing it up. And even that is made difficult by barbed wire entanglements of the latest design.

The delay thus caused is exactly what the Dutch defence system is aiming at.

by Albert de Hes.

actly what the Dutch defence system is aiming at.

THE small size of the army, in proportion to the comparative extensiveness of the frontiers, as well as the character of these frontiers, would make Dutch "Maginot line" indefensible and therefore useless.

Consequently, the Dutch General Staff had to think of defence methods of their own and, as a visit now to any part of Holland clearly shows, they have succeeded magnificently.

One need not be a military expert to admire the ingenious work done in a short time with a modest budget.

"Defence against a surprise attack!" was the watchword; as a Dutch officer explains it: "We are unable to defend ourselves single handed and for a long time against armies ten times the size of our own, but we certainly are able to force a delay in the advance of such an army."

Even a delay of a few days would be sufficient to get help from elsewhere—and so would rob the whole attack of its surprise value, which otherwise would be the only reason for a foreign power to undertake it at all.

On that idea of "delay" the whole of the Dutch defence system is built up. Hundreds of roads leading across the frontiers are decorated in a most unusual way: each tree wears a belt of little brownish blocks of troyl round its trunk. All trees along a road are linked up by means of an electric fuse, and one ignition is sufficient to cause the explosion of every belt along a four mile road within one second! The effect is terrific. The trees break like laths and as their tops are interconnected they fall across the road, transforming it into an impenetrable tangle of branches and trunks and leaves, which would take a considerable time to get through.

Needless to say, these obstacles will be strongly guarded by machine guns and field guns, placed in trenches and pill boxes all around them. Rivers, railroads, and highways in the interior are protected in the same way.

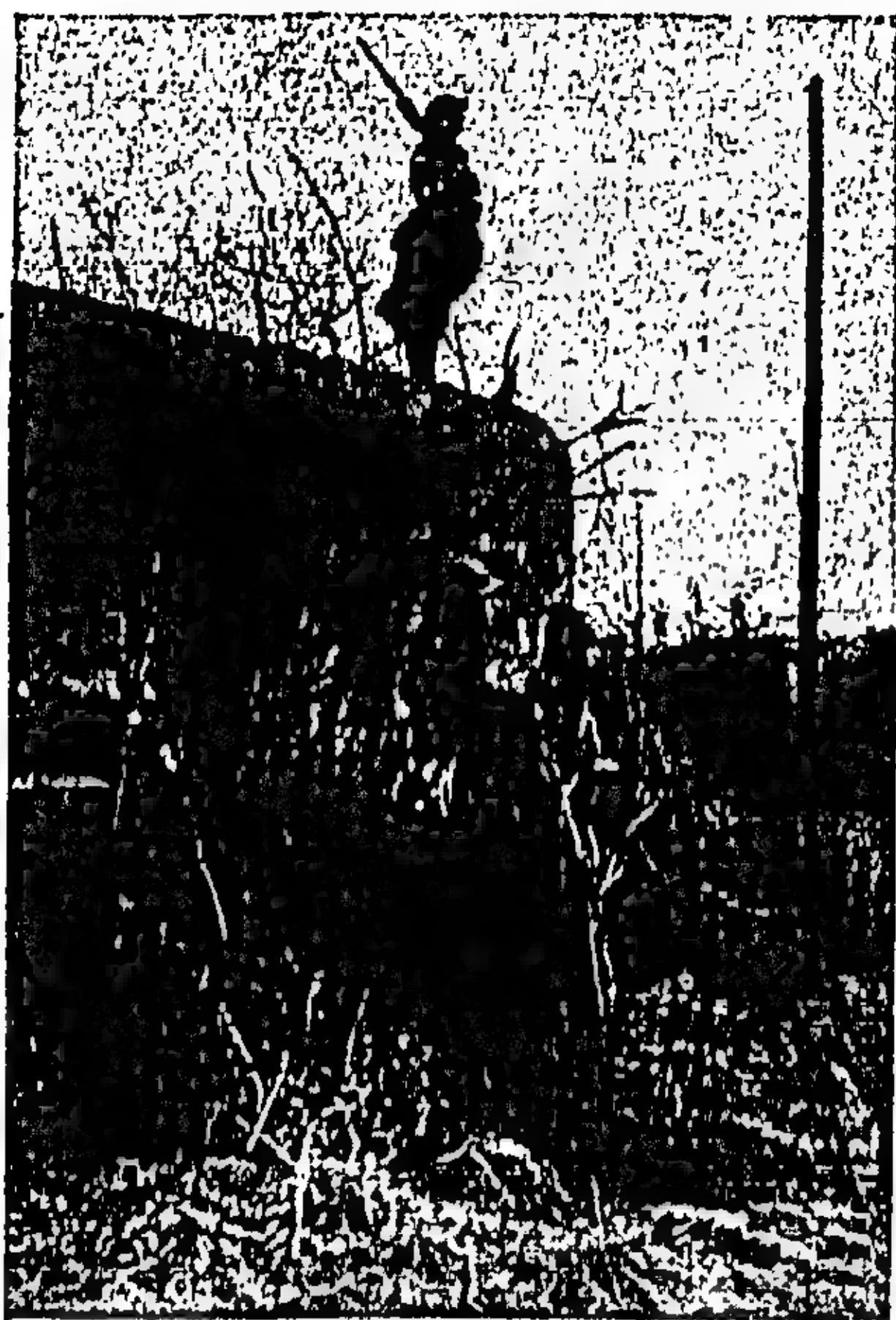
When travelling through Holland one might see in a cornfield something that from some distance looks like a scarecrow and a minute later proves to be a machine-gun which has got its place but not yet its steel or concrete cover.

Wherever one looks—or is forbidden to look—these machine-guns and quick-firing guns protect Holland's roads and canals, and where they seem to be wanting, the peasants will betray to you that several of them are hidden behind dykes and hedges, between hills and bushes.

The whole of Holland's countryside is one big but unobtrusive "Maginot Line" albeit of a somewhat unusual kind.

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NAZI ATTACK IS REPULSED



PARIS, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—A commentary on the fighting on the Western Front says that the Germans have not only failed to dislodge the French from their advanced positions, but they have themselves been thrown back.

This has especially been the case in the Perl sector, near the Luxembourg frontier.

WATCH ON THE NAZIS

Belgium's system of fortifications, similar in many respects to the Maginot Line, is fully manned by Belgian troops. The army, which shows serious signs of being thrown back to Aachen, where considerable Nazi military activity has become apparent.

Here the French have seized a small height, which enables them to extend their artillery fire.

SIEGFRIED UNDER FIRE

French officers consider that prolonged fire from French artillery at the concrete block-houses of the Siegfried Line is bound to cause the latter to crumble.

German power to take the initiative has been seriously hampered. They have failed to drive the French from the heights, and although they have fired thousands of shells, the French batteries continue their bombardment.

Artillery Reaction
PARIS, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—A communiqué issued today states:

"Enemy artillery reaction was especially lively in the region south of Duquesnoy (Zweibrücken). Several successful air actions were fought by our pursuit planes for the purpose of protecting our observation posts."

"Great Fortress"
LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—Observers liken the German position on the Western Front to troops besieged in a great fortress.

All tactics of modern warfare are being used, with the French making a gradual approach to the Siegfried Line.

The Germans are making sorties with the aim of delaying the French as long as possible.

The enemy's aim is to hamper the French work on trenches in the advance positions, which are being moved closer to the Siegfried Line.

Among French mobile units are tanks of a new type which can be moved up by road. They have been specially designed to batter the Siegfried Line.

French experts say that the German fortifications are so well hidden that a long effort will be necessary before a general advance can take place.

French War Reports
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
PARIS, Sept. 24 (UP).—Official French Communiqué No. 42 states:

"There has been local activity by our reconnoitering units in several sections of the Western Front."

"The reaction of enemy artillery was particularly vivid in the region south of Zweibrücken and our pursuit planes have successfully fought several aerial battles to protect our observation planes."

German troops under the personal command of General von Brauns, Chief, the German Commander-in-Chief, have liberated the pressure on the Siegfried Line and to create a protective No Man's land along the front.

The French admit that this intensification of operations is coincident with the transfer of the main German army from the Eastern front.

Deep French Gains
Increased bombing patrols by enemy planes have been particularly active between the Warndt Forest and Wissembourg, and also in the region of Saarbrücken and Biesse, as well as the salient north of Biche, at which points the French have accomplished their deepest gains.

The Germans are using patrols rather than mass attacks. After three attacking battalions were wiped out last week.

Condors At Front
The French have reported that the German Condor Legion, which saw action in Spain, has arrived at the Western Front and the ground crews are transforming pastures into small airfields to accommodate 45 planes along the entire front.

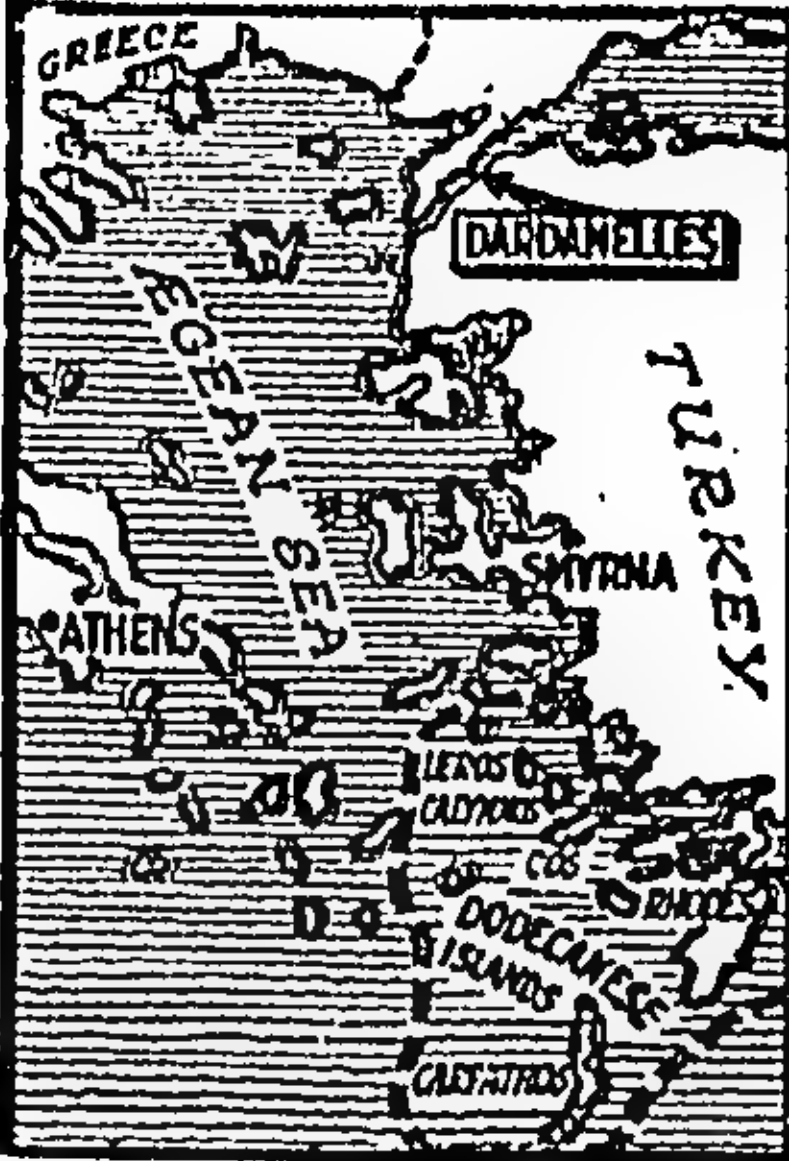
German planes, reported to have been withdrawn from Poland, are being overhauled in the interior of Germany and equipped with new motors before being sent to the Western Front.

It is also reported that the Germans are planning to send the reconnoitering units to the sector south of Zweibrücken. The French shot down one German plane, which fell behind the German lines.

ITALY WITHDRAWING DODECANESE FORCES

ISTANBUL, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—A report that Italy is withdrawing surplus troops from the Dodecanese Islands, although still unconfirmed by responsible quarters, has produced a favourable impression, states an Ankara telegram.

Following the Greek-Italian agreement to withdraw troops from the Albanian frontier, this reported action is thought to mean that Signor Mussolini is taking the initiative by appeasing the Balkan Powers in the eastern Mediterranean.



INSPIRING H.K. Residents BROADCAST At Home

New Zealand's Part In The Nazi War

LONDON, Sept. 24, (British Wireless).—"Hitler has posed as a man of peace, but his ideal of peace is death for all who dare oppose his will inside or outside of Germany."

So the people of New Zealand were warned today in a Government broadcast from all stations, which summarized the war efforts of the Dominion in the first 20 days, and which stated again her unflinching resolve to go on with this great adventure—war for Right, instead of Might, and the reign of law in place of Nazi anarchy.

The message declared: "The first twenty days following the most flagrant Nazi invasion of European liberties have been memorable for New Zealand."

They have been fruitful in successive steps to protect the interests and to preserve the security of our people and British civilization.

"Every step taken by the Government has been measured and designed to extend the national effort."

"The courageous lead given has been applauded and is now being supported by every section of the community. That means unity, and unity is strength."

"In parliament, leaders and members of the Opposition have co-operated fully with the Government, and the New Zealand Labour Party and the Federation of Labour have each declared their intention of standing solidly with the Government."

"Employers, manufacturers, farmers, and producers have promised to assist towards the fullest expression of the nation's power."

"As with organizations so with individual citizens, and this small nation, as one of the 'British' Commonwealth of Nations stands solidly in line with the bigger sister."

"We Are Partners"
"Twenty days have accomplished all this and New Zealand proceeds to put forward her maximum effort in the aid of ideals which can alone save the world from mental bondage."

"We are all partners in this great adventure, the rule of right instead of might, and the reign of law in place of Nazi anarchy."

"The response to the nation's call for a special force for service in New Zealand, overseas, has been magnificent. In all island remains in their civil posts until the call comes. They also serve who carry on."

"The British and French democracies are fighting to preserve the human right of all peoples who love freedom."

"Tolerance is the only real test of civilization—who lives if democracy, liberty, and justice give way to Nazi rule?"

Australian Offer Appreciated

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—Mr. Anthony Eden, the Dominions Secretary, has sent a message to Mr. R. G. Menzies, the Australian Premier, in reply to the Dominion's offer to provide an air expeditionary force.

Mr. Eden says: "Your High Commissioner to London has communicated to us your offer of September 20, to provide an air expeditionary force. I assure you, on behalf of His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom that this most generous offer is deeply appreciated here."

divisions have been withdrawn for action on the Western Front.

French Offensive

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

PARIS, Sept. 24 (UP).—Interrupting a German counter-attack, the French have resumed their offensive with a series of local operations on the entire Saar front, taking a number of prisoners in an effort to identify the regiments which have recently arrived from the eastern front.

The biggest operation was in the sector south of Zweibrücken. The French shot down one German plane, which fell behind the German lines.

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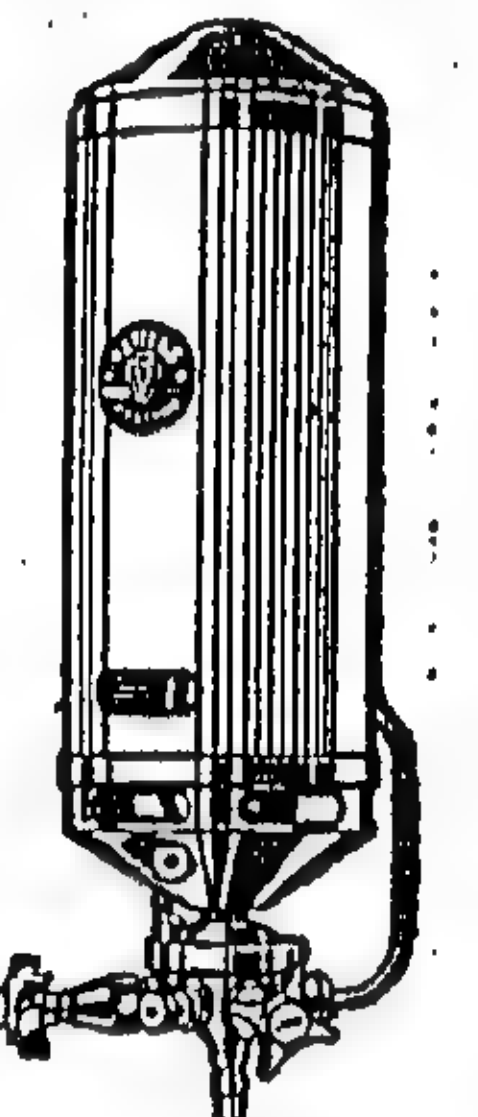
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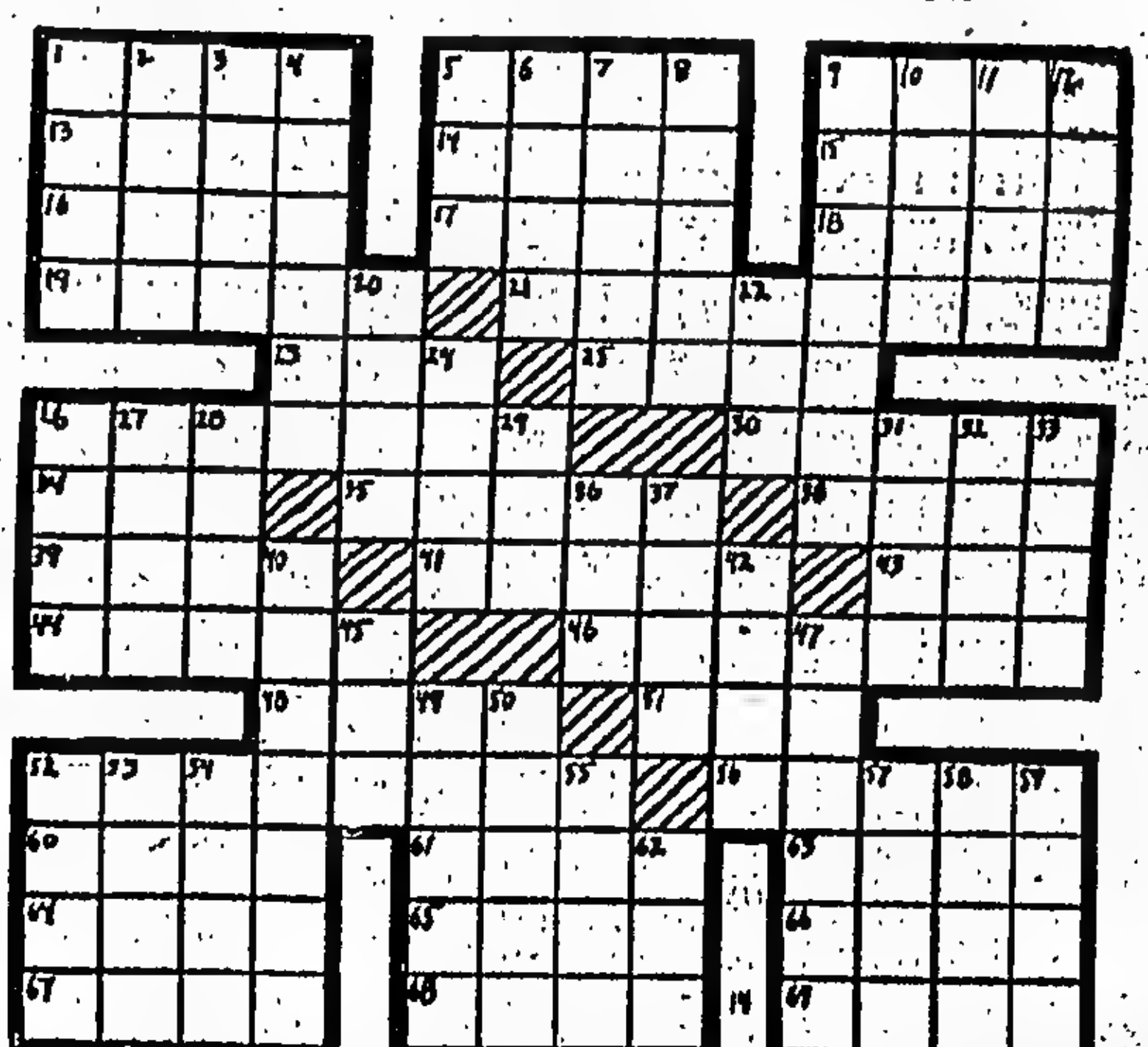
By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

- 1-Do not have
- 2-Charitable gift
- 3-To find outcome
- 4-Exquisite wood
- 5-Fruit
- 6-Back part
- 7-Answer for pigskin
- 8-Made money
- 9-Decorative French
- 10-Church dignitary
- 11-Painful
- 12-Little poetry
- 13-Orn
- 14-Figure of speech
- 15-Nickname of Lincoln
- 16-Painful
- 17-Animation
- 18-Form of knitting
- 19-Take by violence
- 20-Continuity
- 21-Compound of iron
- 22-Decorative French
- 23-One of Hindu trials
- 24-None at body
- 25-Triangular creature
- 26-United means of support
- 27-Old West-Indian tree
- 28-Without letter
- 29-Employer
- 30-Old Asian plateau
- 31-Excretion of brain
- 32-Support for pier
- 33-Short sleep

DOWN

- 1-Ancient Egyptian title
- 2-Combining form
- 3-Combining form
- 4-Old days on knees
- 5-Part of circle
- 6-Chicago district
- 7-Cap of official hat
- 8-Staff of com
- 9-Part of count
- 10-Form of poetry
- 11-Unusual
- 12-Vase
- 13-Rhyme in sea
- 14-Part of count
- 15-Radiate light and
- 16-Ship
- 17-Touch at boundary
- 18-Tier
- 19-Title of knight
- 20-Patron saint of
- 21-Terminal
- 22-Walking stick
- 23-Dry
- 24-Russian emperor
- 25-Becomes rusty
- 26-Draw for wheel
- 27-Subtle
- 28-Subject to scold
- 29-Bargaining
- 30-Old
- 31-Plant
- 32-Indian food
- 33-Bolt
- 34-Lowest tide
- 35-Bolt
- 36-Oriental scimitar
- 37-Chillings
- 38-Place in journey
- 39-Hallway



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POWER-YOUNG ANNABELLA

WORLD NEWS

America May Extend Zones

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—A message from Santiago (Chile) says that the United States has proposed that the jurisdiction of the territorial waters of the two American continents be extended to 300 miles. The proposal will be made at the Pan-American Conference at Panama City.

ANKARA, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—The Turkish Government has introduced to Parliament estimates for a further £4,000,000 for defence. This brings the total defence expenditure for the year to £20,000,000 over the budget figures.

PARIS, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—An order signed by the Polish Ambassador provides for the compulsory registration of all Poles between the ages of 17 and 45 living in France, with a view to their incorporation in the Polish army in France.

WELLINGTON, N.Z., Sept. 24 (Reuter).—Eleven were killed today in one of the worst coal-mining disasters in New Zealand for many years.

Men were investigating a fire in a mine at Huntley when they were overcome by carbon-monoxide gas. Eight bodies have so far been recovered.

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—The King, who is spending the week-end at Windsor Castle, attended morning services at St. George's Chapel today.

The Queen and the two princesses were present at the parish church at Balmoral.

SHANGHAI, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—Although official circles here have hitherto refused to make any statement, it appears that the Tatan police have taken over the extra-Settlement roads.

The number of Tatan police in the area have been increased, and they are now directing traffic at many of the cross-roads.

As yet there has been no withdrawal of Settlement police.

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—The first batch of men in the Civil Air Guard have been warned that they may be soon called up for an interview with a view to joining the Royal Air Force.

This batch consists of men under the age of 25 who possess an "A" licence.

The women Civil Air Guard have been advised to offer their services to other branches, especially the women's auxiliary air force.

BRUSSELS, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—A message received in Brussels from Berlin states that the nightly black-out in west Germany is being more strictly enforced, showing increased fears of air raids by French and British planes.

The message adds that there were 45 prosecutions in one day in a town near Aachen, of civilians who did not prevent their lights from showing in their houses at night.

PARIS, Sept. 24, (Reuter).—Dr. Alexis Carrel, the world-famous French scientist, has been given an important war mission by the Ministry of Health.

Although the nature of the appointment is not revealed, it is re-

called that Dr. Carrel collaborated recently with Colonel Lindbergh in research work in connection with an artificial heart.

BUCHAREST, Sept. 24, (Reuter).—The State funeral of M. Collescu, the murdered Prime Minister of Rumania, took place today, and was attended by huge crowds.

The burial will take place tomorrow.

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—A broadcast from the radio in Moscow today quoted Italian sources as stating that some German infantry units on the Western Front are equipped with armour plating protection, 1/20th of an inch thick.

The armour, it is stated, could be folded when not in use.

BERLIN, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—Addressing foreign pressmen, Dr. Josef Goebbels reaffirmed that the German Government is determined to respect the neutrality of only of Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg, but of all States.

He declared he had given foreign journalists the opportunity to convince themselves of the solidarity of the protectorate of Bohemia and Moravia.

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—The offer by New Zealand of a division to help the Empire cause was made known in London tonight.

Announcing the offer, the Prime Minister of New Zealand added the following words: "We stand or fall together, in war or peace, defeat or victory."

OTTAWA, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—The wheat crop in western Canada is estimated at 63,000,000 bushels, of which 87 per cent. is of the top three grades, as compared with 78 per cent. this time last year.

BERLIN, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—Eight persons are known to be dead and 40 seriously injured as a result of an explosion in a coal mine at Bochumhordel yesterday.

Nine, whose way of escape has been cut off, are feared dead.

CHUNGKING, Sept. 25 (Central).—The State Secretary, Soviet Vice-Consul in Shanghai, left for Japan by the Shanghai Maru on Saturday, according to a Shanghai report.

Chungking, Sept. 25 (Central).—Mr. Li Ju-tsang, chief secretary of the Shanghai Child Refugee Training Centre, was murdered by an unknown gunman outside the Tianjan Broadcasting Station yesterday in Shanghai while entering his car. The bullet entered Li's breast and he was rushed to the hospital for treatment. He did not survive.

ARICA, Chile, Sept. 24 (UP).—The Japanese goodwill plane Nippon landed here from Lima at 1.55 p.m.

BERLIN, Sept. 24 (UP).—The State Secretary, Ernest von Weizsaecke and the Russian Ambassador exchanged ratifications of the Russo-German non-aggression pact at the Foreign Office. The pact became effective with the signing.

ROME, Sept. 24 (UP).—It is announced that the Council of Ministers, with Signor Mussolini presiding, will meet on Saturday.

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—Viscount Halifax this evening received M. Ivan Maisky, the Soviet Ambassador, at the Foreign Office.

LONDON, Sept. 24 (UP).—The Admiralty announced that 500 officers and men are believed to have been lost when the Courageous sank.

HAIPHONG-HANOI FOOTBALL TEAM'S THIRD DRAWN MATCH IN HONGKONG

World's Record Putt Of 220 Yards

SYDNEY, (UPI). — The world's record putt is claimed by J. L. Coleman, playing over the Darraba (New South Wales) golf course.

He used his putter at the second hole—220 yards—and holed out in one.

The shot is vouched for by the club's president, L. J. Clifton, who was playing with Coleman at the time.

"He has a kink about that hole," said Clifton. "He always plays it with his putter to keep out of trouble. This time the tactics got him into trouble at the 19th hole. The drinks were on him."

Harbour Department Succeeds

Yesterday's Bowls At Police R.C.

His Excellency the Governor was the guest of the Commissioner of Police, Mr. Perdue, and the Police Club when he took a team there for a friendly game of lawn bowls yesterday. His Excellency was narrowly defeated 21-19.

Mr. Justice R. E. Lindell, Sir John MacGregor, J. Deakin and His Excellency the Governor (capt.) played C. G. Perdue, J. S. Riddell, J. R. MacWalter and J. C. S. Fender. GASCOMBE O'SULLIVAN CUP The final of the Gascombe O'Sullivan lawn bowls competition was also played on the Police R.C. green yesterday between the Harbour Department and the Public Works Department. The former team had a runaway victory, winning 20-9. The P.W.D. could only score on six ends and at one time they were down 5-18 after the fourteenth end.

E.W.D.—P. Shaw, G. S. Graver, C. B. Robertson and A. Brooksbank. Harbour Dept.—J. Hoosen, K. C. Hamilton, G. Stephens and W. Hillyer.

YUGO-SLAV SURPRISES JOHN BROMWICH IN DAVIS CUP MATCH

That cannonading one heard Aug. 24 around the Longwood Cricket Club was not a European crisis shifting to our own backyard, but merely Ferenc Puncce, Yugoslavia's one-man tennis army, dropping a few bombs into the increasingly tense international Davis Cup situation, which is rapidly nearing the breaking point. The opening day's premier conflicts between the European winners and the Australians stunned the sparse crowd as Puncce turned in a four-set victory over John E. Bromwich, the man considered to take Donald Budge's former amateur pedestal, the scores being, 6-2, 8-6, 0-6, 6-2.

Significance of the match could be heard on three fronts. First, it completely botched the theory that Australia would whitewash the Yugoslavs as the majority had expected, and now the boys from the Battle have a slight, admittedly very slight, chance to eke through with a series victory that would startle the tennis world as it has not been started for many years.

Second, it gave the United States Davis Cuppers renewed energy in their practice sessions, furthering the previous contention that, although the Aussie delegation this year possesses probably the strongest doubles team ever, their singles staff is not of the unbeatens type. Even Bromwich could be taken into camp by inspired play.

MITIC INEXPERIENCED Third, it marked the first defeat for the Aussie star since January, when Bromwich lost to Quist in the Australian finals, and the second defeat since last year's Davis Cup matches with America, when Bromwich lost to Budge.

The series stood at one all at the end of the first day as young De-meter Mille was found too inexperienced to cope with the relentless attack of Adrian Quist, who amassed a 6-0, 6-4, 6-3 triumph. Mille's second experience on grass courts (his first was at Wimbledon this year) lacked polish, and effectiveness that was a result of his inability to cope with the bounce and the pace of the ball.

On many occasions the 21-year-old Yugoslav was caught napping because of misjudgment, as Quist mixed his pace and shots deliberately to widen the winning margin.

MATCH OF SUMMER But the "match of the summer" was the Puncce-Bromwich encounter

Visitors Lead 3-1 At One Stage But Concede Two Goals In The End

(By "Abe")

The combined Haiphong-Hanoi soccer team completed their series of three official matches in the Colony by playing another drawn game, this time against the Rest of the Colony, on the Club ground yesterday. The final score was 3-3 after the visitors had led by 1-0 in the first half and 3-1 at one stage of the second.

It was obvious from the commencement of the encounter that their week of practice in Hongkong conditions had improved the visitors' play tremendously. Always a yard faster on the ball than the local men, they proved extremely clever in their dribbling and short passing, and once more demonstrated that when the opportunity offers they can shoot. All their three goals were gems, especially the first and second.

In comparison to the visitors, the locals appeared slow and their play suggested (as only to be expected, perhaps, in view of the easiness of the season) that they have not yet got into their stride. Yet credit must be given them for the way in which they fought back in the second half, and Freddie Fowler is to be complimented on his "hat-trick" which saved the match for Hongkong. It would not be unflattering to the Hongkong forward line to say that Fowler was the only man who looked dangerous, and apparently sensing this, the Haiphong-Hanoi defenders always had a man marking him; but his bustling methods, plus his fine teamwork, enabled him to find the net.

FAR TOO RAGGED

The Hongkong forward line was a ragged unit all through. Both the wingers were weak, and though Ernie Strange and David Leonard did a great deal of splendid midfield work, they were far from effective when attack was concerned. The defence played up well, however, and may consider themselves to have performed with credit in keeping the fifty visiting forwards down to three goals. The off-side traps set by Blackbourne were not invariably successful and many were the movements which were halted through the Haiphong-Hanoi forwards rushing into these traps. The intermediates worked

All Three Matches Have Been Drawn

The visiting Haiphong-Hanoi footballers have drawn all the three matches which they have played in the Colony, as follows:

Drew with Eastern 4-4.
Drew with Combined Chinese 2-2.
Drew with Rest of Hongkong 3-3.

hard and on the whole, shone rather more in defence than in attack. For three-quarters of the match the visiting defenders succeeded in keeping the Hongkong forwards at bay, but in the closing minutes when the local men applied pressure the same confidence which the visitors and shown earlier on was missing. Sunny Tsang in goal was confident personified at the start, but his failure to gather a shot in the second half led to Hongkong's first goal. A long punt ahead by one of the local forwards slipped past him for a corner, and from the resultant kick Fowler beat him to the jump and headed the ball into the net. Up to this stage Hongkong seldom looked like scoring—apart from the missed penalty in the first half—but with this goal which placed them on level terms, they settled down into a more cohesive team.

NIFTY FORWARDS

While the visiting half-backs were never really prominent, they had little difficulty in checking the methodless attacks of the Hongkong forwards until the latter part of the second half. It was up forward, however, that the visitors impressed most. Very fast, they swung the ball out to the wings in fine style. They made several dangerous break-aways, but these were nullified by the inability of the outside right to give any "lift" to his centres. More often than not, his centres were far too "low" and were intercepted by the Hongkong defenders.

The two inside-forwards, Thong and Hoi, made several spectacular dribbles and were the "brains" of the attack. The latter opened the scoring in the first half with a gem after Hongkong had missed a penalty. The kick was entrusted to Gardner, but he hit the post, and, though Leonard sent in a terrific drive from the rebound, the goal was disallowed, probably because Gardner, after taking the kick, was left in an off-side position.

Crossing over with the visitors leading by a goal, Hongkong came more into the picture. Fowler put the locals on level terms with a header from a perfect corner kick by Flanders, but the Haiphong-Hanoi side scored two more goals through Thong and Yung to lead 3-1.

SECOND TIME SUCCEEDS

In one of the rare Hongkong raids, Fowler was fouled in the area and took the kick himself. His shot went straight to Tsang, who, however, failed to hold the ball and from the rebound Fowler scored his second goal.

Shortly afterwards Fowler added his third from close in, thus equalising the scores. In the closing minutes Hongkong had more of the excitement, but the final whistle blew with no further scoring.

Hongkong—Duncan; Blackburne and Bone; Bell, Bright and Honniball; Gardner, D. Leonard, F. Fowler, E. Strange and Flanders.

Haiphong-Hanoi—Sammy Tsang; Can and Binh; Cheng Ching-nan, Thom and Hung; Lee, Thong, Tan, Hoi and Yung.

BASEBALL PITCHERS' AVERAGES

New York, Sept. 23. The following were the leading pitchers' averages to date:

American League.—Sundra (Yankees) won 11 lost 6, Dooland won 13 lost 3, Ewing (Red Sox) won 11 lost 2, Gagne won 14 lost 4, Ruffing won 21 lost 7.

National League.—Derringer won 23 lost 7, Walters won 20 lost 10, Brownman won 13 lost 6, French (Cubs) won 14 lost 7, McGee and Thompson won 10 lost 8.—United Press.



Lady Northcote scored her first win on the local turf on Saturday when her pony Devonian (ridden by Don Black) won the Vauluse Handicap at Happy Valley. She is seen here leading in her pony after the race. His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, is on the right of the picture.—Mae Cheung.

Football Provides Relaxation

Good Attendances On September 2

Considering the state of affairs in Europe the attendances all over the country on September 2, need not be sneered at as they were about 350,000. Indeed, many thousands sought the football grounds for their relaxation. Unquestionably the headline side of the day were the Spurs. Against West Bromwich Albion they achieved a remarkable win by the odd goal of the seven scored. London Arsenal was really in the news. The Arsenal put on a brilliant show against Sunderland—just like the old Arsenal—and Ted Drake had a wonderful game, getting four of his side's five goals. Bryn Jones, although he didn't score, was in £14,000 fettle, and once more he is beginning to look like the player we all know him to be. Blackpool's home performance against the Wolves leads us to believe that they will realise the hopes held for them last year.

Perhaps the best showing in the First Division was that of Blackburn against the holders of the League championship—Everton. This draw should give them encouragement in this, their first season after promotion. Bradford had a capital win. Huddersfield Town and never looked like being beaten. It is said to report that Harley, the Liverpool right-back, was ordered off the field in the game with Chelsea. Not only was he ordered off, but two spectators who had run on to the field had to be ordered off, too, by the police. Liverpool, in spite of this, won by the only goal, but it was an ill-fought match.

BETTER THINGS

Turn to better things. Little Trarler Town side—Grimsby—had a good home victory over Preston North End. They won by two clear goals, and Freddie Howe got them both. Newcastle got eight against Swansea at Newcastle (Bowden did the "hat-trick"). But Bournemouth and Boscobel capped this by running into double figures at the expense of Northampton. They had the grand total of ten to their credit, scoring seven of them in the second half. Kirkman helped himself to three.

Portsmouth F.A. Cup holders, do not provide us with good reading. They went thoroughly under to Bolton Wanderers. Hubble and Howe got the Wanderers' two goals, and they showed that Pompey's defence is not its old dogged self at the moment. For a Third Division team to have 20,000 watching them with this appalling tension hanging over us is a fact to be recorded. Cardiff were the favourites but they did not give their supporters much pleasure, for Notts County scored four times to their twice. Derby County had a win 1-0 over Aston Villa, but it was their victory so much as Rutherford's keeping for the Villa that deserves the praise. Once he saved magnificently at point-blank range from Duncan.

MACAO RACING ENTRIES

The following are the entries and handicaps for the events of the October Meeting of the Macao Jockey Club, which will be held in Macao on Sunday, October 1:

The Colowan Handicap. Five furlongs.—Country Flower (135), Courcour Blue (143), Gold Clause (140), Hohenfels (135), Morning Lip (135), Shanghai 4 (152) Victory Life (163).

The Praia Grande Handicap. Five furlongs.—Cloudy Star (108), Double Up (149), Eagle (150), Iron Knight (101) and National Triumph (150).

The Lappa Handicap. (First Section). "E" class, six furlongs.—Cloudy Star (140), Eagle (140), Iron Knight (140), King's Parade (168), Lucy Eleven (165), Mac's Adventure (162), National Dignity (161), National Triumph (140) and Persian Cat (160).

The Porto Cerco Handicap. "D" class, six furlongs.—Clowney (155), Diogenes (140), Double Chance (150), Gold Sovereign (144), King's Envoy (140), National Anthem (140), Sports Venture (142) and The Tigris (150).

The Stewards' Cup. One mile.—Country Flower (155), Courcour Blue (135), Fairy Auk (160), Fairy Ousel (163), Gold Clause (135), Hogmanay (158), Hohenfels (135), Meadow Eve (135), Merry Maker (135), Morning Lip (135), Rothersey Bay (135), Shanghai 4 (140) and Victory Life (151).

The Lappa Handicap. "Second Section". "E" class, six furlongs.—Bogey (155), Double Up (140), Dow Jones (140), Gold Tower (140), Mac's Adventure (155), The Buccaneer Old Fashioned (155), The Spirit of St. Louis (140) and The Spirit of St. Louis (140).

The Consolation Stakes. Post entries. Half a mile.

In connection with the "Stewards' Cup" the fifth race on the programme, a special \$1 Sweep is being conducted.

SPORT ADVTs.

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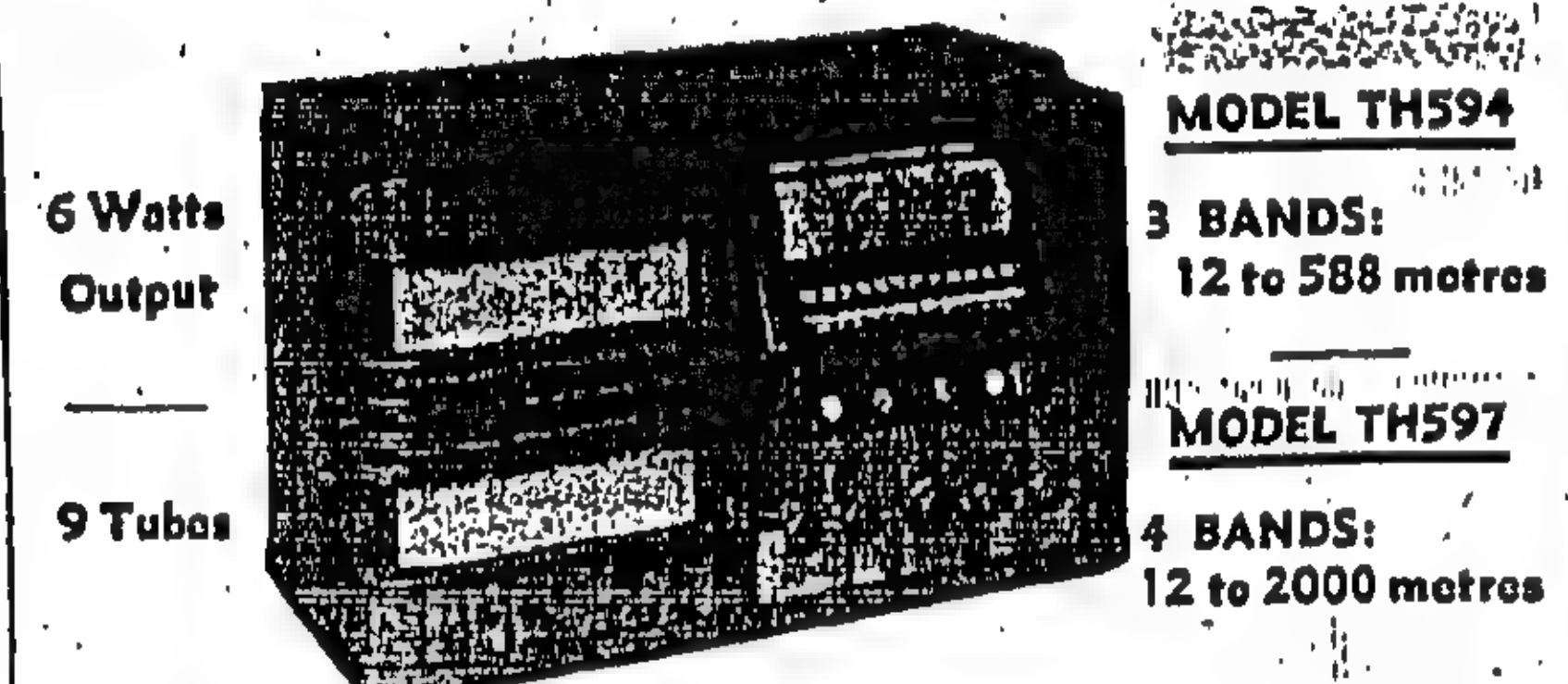
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What to insist on in your new suit

TO-DAY we give you this season's Paris suit lines, and show you how to choose a suit that will be not only in the fashion but becoming to your own particular figure.

① CORSET WAIST, FULL SKIRT, FOR THE VERY SLIM.

② BUSTLE PLEATED SKIRT AND JACKET FOR THE TALL WOMAN.

③ LONG JACKET, STRAIGHT NARROW SKIRT, FOR A FULL FIGURE.

CHOOSING a suit that has got to last a season is to come people nearly as hazardous an enterprise as choosing a husband to last a lifetime. You've got to be sure of your material. In other words, you have not only got to judge your suit on its face value but on its wearability for a number of different occasions (unless you've got unlimited capital, in which case practically none of these preliminary remarks applies) and on whether or not it is a good foil to you and your personality.

★ ★ ★
A SMART and fashionable suit ceases to have any point if it is worn by an unsuitable person. It is like putting an essentially modern picture in the most exuberant type of Victorian sitting-room.

So we must first of all go over the lines that are most likely to affect your wardrobe this winter, and apply them one by one to you who are liable to wear them. Variations on suits and jackets are many, but the principal lines to look out for are the long, slim, single-breasted jacket with the straight skirt, the tight-fitting round-the-waist jacket which comes down 6 in. below the hip line; a jacket which comes down to a point in the front and up at the back. Falconer has sketched one—the five-eighths boxy jacket (these jackets are being worn solo for evening).

A sports suit in camelot tweed with the new pleated-at-the-back skirt line. The coat this girl is holding over her arm is of khaki corduroy. It is loose and five-eighths length, and is trimmed with large buttons on a double-breasted front and patch pockets.

Mainbocher favours them); a jacket which has a flared basque, sometimes trimmed with fur, at the back, and, of course, the sports jacket which lives in a world of its own, but still follows the characteristic line to the extent that it is long, slightly waisted, and worn over a slightly flared skirt.

Those who have been deploring the shortness of skirts can put on those extra inches and know they are on safe ground. Skirts 14 inches from the ground can be worn by anyone but the shortest.

Skirt lines vary from Marcel Rochas's very full ones, that carry the fullness all round, to those with a sleek front line with fullness at the back.

Schlaparelli does a straight, tight-fitting skirt as a contrast to most of the collections, and they are a boon to the rather full figure, on which an elaborate skirt looks top-heavy.

★ ★ ★
If you are slim, but with a rather heavy waist, adopt the Schlaparelli line, which does not accentuate it. If you are slim with a small waist in proportion, you can corset it so that your hips stand out, and wear the full, draped, or slightly flared line, though the last would hide your contours, which this season would be a pity, as good ones are supposed to be accentuated.

If you are broad on the hips, with good seating accommodation, but tall with it, you can wear a skirt or jacket with a bustle that will be nipped in at the waist. But you must be tall to carry this off. If you are not tall, go in for a five-eighths length loose box jacket, and wear it with a slightly flared skirt—not a too full one.

★ ★ ★
JACKETS to the autumn suits do, in the main, accentuate the waist-and-hip-line, but there are those loose jackets, too, which should be a boon to the fuller figure. Remember to buy one which gives you a straight line at the back. Your derriere should not bump it out. Skirts, with the exception of those produced by Schlaparelli and Chanel, remain the same length, and I think you can rely on them doing so for some time. But the fact that some designers have put on an inch or two indicates that some time in the not so far future we shall be back to covering our legs.

An entirely different line, with a straight-in-front skirt pleated in the back, a long jacket and buttons down the front. This is trimmed with Astrakhan and the booties have Astrakhan tops to match. Note the hat with the curly brim. It's a new line. Good for almost anyone because it can be so easily adapted.

This is a typical shape jacket made of striped Donegal tweed, in such mixtures as green and pink, and blue and grey wide stripes. This one is trimmed with a velvet collar and is worn with a black skirt and black hat. Note the booties, made of black suede. You need a slim waist to wear this.

This tartan jacket is in wine, purple, and white. It shows the down-at-the-front, up-at-the-back line, and the lavish Astrakhan trimming round the hem, collar, cuffs, and the muff. It is worn with a black wool skirt with fullness at the back. Booties again.

CREED (Famous Designer) Says:

"SPORTS suits are ideally suited to the typical Englishwoman. Wear them when you can and look for wide shoulders and slim waists. These set off your limbs, which are generally longer than those of the Frenchwoman.

"For town wear, wear clothes that are not exaggerated. A good tweed suit (no divided skirts) or a woolen suit can be worn in town.

"For afternoon I do not like velvet on the Englishwoman. She does not carry it off so well as the French woman. I prefer a black wool suit—which you can wear with a sweater in the morning, and change in the afternoon with a blouse and change of accessories. This is economical as well as good.

"Colour is a question of personal taste, but I adore black for town wear. With black suits I like bright touches introduced by blouses and scarves. In the choice of colour to touch up a black outfit, you can show as much individuality as you like.

"I'd like to point out that the Englishwoman, as taller than the Frenchwoman, has longer limbs, and suits are specially kind to her. I design for women who have very good figures, wide shoulders, and long limbs."

Ways With Old Stockings

GLOVES to wear while doing household and garden jobs that stain the hands can be cut from the tops of old stockings. Lie your hands in turn on a piece of newspaper, and pencil round them for the patterns. Sew up the glove with the machine or with short back stitches.

Mittens for cold weather can be made in the same way by using old woollen stockings or men's socks (not knitted ones).

By slitting a pair of woollen stockings down the back seams, cutting off the feet, and joining the legs together an excellent hot-water bottle cover can be made. Run a cord through the top and sew up the middle, leaving a gap in the middle for the hanging to slip at the bottom of the bottle.

When You Wash Summer Frocks

"GENTLY" is the word to keep in mind when you are about to deal with summery frocks and blouses in the wash-tub. Their light colours and delicate fabrics need venturing very considerably—if they are to keep their new looks, so never start washing them in a hurry if you can possibly help it, and don't dump several frocks of different colour and materials in the tub together if you want to get the best results.

If you are washing a frock that has never been washed before, soak it well beforehand in cold water to get rid of the "dress" that is in the material. To neglect this precaution, or to wash a new frock together with an older one, is to court failure, for the "dress" spoils your latter and makes a seum that settles on the fabric.

Dry Quickly

To be on the safe side, cool your hot soapy lather before you dip your frock or blouse into it. It should not feel hot to your hands, only warm. Use good soap, or soap flakes to make your lather, and don't stint it. If the water is hard, soften it by adding a little borax. Don't rub a delicate fabric, unless it is on a specially soiled part, just squeeze it in the lather till it looks fresh and clean. Then rinse it in three waters, and again, if it is a delicate fabric, squeeze the water out instead of wringing. You may ladder woven silk by wringing. Dry any coloured frock or blouse as quickly as you can, but never in the sun, or you will get faded patches.

Every new frock or blouse has a crisp look that you will want to regain. Thin hot starch will give the necessary stiffness to gingham and the stouter tub-cottons, and if you have put a little borax in the last rinsing water you will find you get a better finish with the iron. If you like, dip lincens also in very thin hot starch, but a well-ironed linen looks well without artificial stiffening. To give back "body" to silks you can add a few lumps of sugar to the rinsing water.

Points About Pressing

The good looks of a home-washed frock depend a lot upon its treatment on the ironing-board. Shake the garment into shape, when nearly dry enough to press, and roll it up tightly in a towel. If the frock has been starched, press it with a hot iron, while still very damp, and on the right side. If the material is organdie muslin, press it very damp, first under a cloth, and then directly on its surface, and it will retain its original delightful crispness.

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By Ernie Bushmiller

BIG GAINS FOR U.S.S.R.

Partition of Poland

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—The joint Soviet-German communique issued on Friday on the partition of Poland is considered by neutral observers as a very clear indication that Russia has taken the lion's share of Poland. German troops, under the agreement, have been forced to withdraw, often for considerable distances, from positions they had occupied. It is suggested that the new frontiers involve loss of prestige by Germany and may well have been dictated by military considerations. The new frontier runs along three rivers and can be easily defended.

Yielded Territory

The territory yielded by Germany to Russia consists largely of forests and marshlands, and would be ideal terrain for guerrilla revolts. The territory gained by Germany is more thickly populated, and allows of more supervision of the population. A message received in Lithuania from Berlin to-day stated that the Ukrainian movement in Germany had been suspended. A further disadvantage to Germany resulting from the partition is the increased Russian influence in the Balkans, Rumania and Hungary. Observers are of the opinion that there may be an unfavourable repercussion in Germany. If the German-Russian agreement for the partition of Poland is completed before the war, they ask, how can Hitler justify the invasion of Poland. Hitler said in his Danzig speech that he did not want war, and only wanted Danzig and the Corridor from Poland, yet he has taken millions of Poles and has handed thousands of square miles to Russia.

Heavy Pressure

Observers ask what Russia would have done if Poland had handed over Danzig and the Corridor to Germany. The truth seems to be that Germany was subjected to heavy pressure from the Soviet, and forced to surrender a large portion of Poland. A similar view is taken in Hungary, says a message from Budapest. In Budapest it is considered that one of Russia's demands for the conclusion of a non-aggression pact with Germany was the partition of Poland.

Influence Lost

With one stroke of Herr von Ribbentrop's pen, Germany sacrificed most of her influence in the Balkans. The Balkan countries have now obtained other outlets for their trade—with neutral Italy and Russia, and

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ENTIRE VILLAGE DESTROYED

Ta Ku Ling Village, situated at the northern end of Ta Ku Ling Road in Kowloon, was completely wiped out by fire yesterday afternoon. Wooden houses in the village, which were occupied mostly by farmers and coolies, were destroyed before a fire brigade from Mongkok station was able to put the blaze under control at 3:00 p.m. Strong wind at the time of the fire and the wooden structures of the houses made all earlier efforts to extinguish the conflagration unsuccessful. It is said that the fire was caused by a careless farmer when he was preparing his food. No casualties were reported. However, at least 150 poor people were deprived of their homes as a result of the calamity.

are no longer dependent upon Germany in the trade field.

Hitler has made Russia overwhelmingly powerful in the Balkans, after excluding her for 25 years.

Meanwhile Hungary has hastened to resume diplomatic relations with the Soviet, and Bulgaria has concluded a trade pact with Moscow.

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

Troops Advance

MOSCOW, Sept. 24 (UP).—An official communique issued here to-day states: "Our troops are continuing to advance towards the line of demarcation."

"Having occupied the towns of Selny, Augustov and Grubeshov, they have reached a line extending through Augustov, Knysyn, Bryansk and Ruzno."

They have also occupied Komarno, Drozdysh and Beryslav, to the southwest of Lvov. The remnants of the Polish army have been disarmed.

"Over 10,000 soldiers have been taken prisoner southeast of Brest-Litovsk. South of Grubeshov an infantry regiment and a mechanized brigade have been captured."

ITALY'S DUCE FEARS SPREAD OF WAR



MUSSOLINI

DISGRACED GENERAL?

Danish Comment On Death Of Fritsch

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" COPENHAGEN, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—Was General von Fritsch in disgrace?

This is the question being asked by the Berlin correspondents of Danish newspapers.

The correspondent of the "Berlingske Tidende" points out that very little is said of what General von Fritsch was doing when he was killed, adding that General von Fritsch, as honorary Colonel of the 12th Artillery, was fighting with his men and not commanding them.

It is also pointed out that the German press gave General von Fritsch very short obituary notices.

A Berlin message says that General Fritsch fell in the front line while carrying out a powerful reconnaissance before Warsaw.

The official news agency says that General von Fritsch died as an example to the army for which he truly lived as an example. The agency also reports that a State funeral has been ordered by Herr Hitler to take place on September 30.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange official Summary issued on Saturday says: A customary Saturday session thus to be again recorded, the market being neglected.

Buyers	
H.K. Bank	\$1,200
H.K. Wharves	\$300
Sellers	
H. & S. Hotels	\$4 1/2
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan par.	
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I.C.L. Ps. 34 b	
Ipo Gold Ps. 11 s	
Rogon Mining Ps. 1	
Masaka Consolidated Ps. 00 1/2 s	
Mindanao Motherlode Ps. 05 1/2 b	
Mine Operation Ps. 08 1/2 b	
Paracale Gummaus Ps. 12 b	
San Mauricio Ps. 24	
Burgio Consolidated Ps. 15 b	
Burgio Consolidated Ps. 10 1/4 s	
United Paracale Ps. 32 1/4 s	

Britain and France Reject—Il Duce's Attempt To End The War

LONDON, SEPT. 24 (REUTER).—THE SPEECH BY SIGNOR MUSSOLINI ARGUING THAT EUROPE IS NOT YET ACTUALLY AT WAR AND THAT A CLASH MIGHT BE AVOIDED BY THE REALISATION THAT THE DESIRE TO MAINTAIN OR RECONSTITUTE POSITIONS, WHICH HISTORY AND THE NATURAL DYNAMISM OF THE PEOPLES CONCERNED OPPOSE, WAS IN VAIN, HAS ELICITED A FRENCH SEMI-OFFICIAL COMMENT THAT BRITAIN AND FRANCE HAVE DEFINED ONCE AND FOR ALL THE POSITION THEY HAVE TAKEN IN CONFORMITY WITH THE AGREEMENTS WITH POLAND.

SOBER SPEECH

Well-informed circles in London consider that the key-note of Signor Mussolini's speech was sobriety. They welcomed his statement that Italy will continue to be neutral and will avoid any extension of the conflict.

The fact that Italy is prepared for any eventualities is accepted as a natural measure of precaution which has been forced on all neutral States.

Britain's War Aims

His view that the moment has arrived to call off hostilities is, however, not shared in British quarters, says "Reuter's" diplomatic correspondent.

The British war aims have been stated clearly and unmistakably by the Prime Minister: the fact that for the moment Poland seems down does not alter their strength and validity. Some messages quote Signor Gayda, writing in the "Voz" d'italia, in which he interprets Mussolini's speech as a request to the Italian people and the belligerents to stop, while there is still time, what he calls a "smouldering conflict" from exploding into a general war.

The war was started, he says, by the British guarantee to Poland, "but Poland no longer exists, and never will exist again."

French Comment

PARIS, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—A semi-official comment on Signor Mussolini's speech says that great interest is shown in Il Duce's indication of Italy's attitude.

The comment confirms that Mussolini's efforts to maintain peace are deeply appreciated by the French Government, as shown by their reply to the Italian note of September 1.

German aggression against Poland and the multiple events which have occurred since Mussolini's appeal have overturned international conditions.

The French Government, like the British Government, have made their position known with the greatest clarity.

Germany's Wish

The French press also comment on Il Duce's speech.

One Paris newspaper says that Italy is maintaining neutrality as that the conflict may be localised. Certainly this is Germany's wish.

"We know what localizing the conflict means. It means that the strong State can destroy, one by one, under the eyes of the great and peace-loving Powers, small States that are condemned by their isolation and the inequality of their forces."

Il Duce's statement that he might one day summon the Italian people for the announcement of a decision of historic importance is also considered significant by the newspaper.

Britain And Russia

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—Commentary has been issued in London on Signor Mussolini's speech, though the full official text has not yet been received.

Britain, it is stated, understands and appreciates the sincerity of Il Duce's motives, and the Prime

'Touch of Genius' Shown In Allied War Conduct

NEW YORK, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—A message from France to New York newspapers from an American war correspondent says:

"I find the Allies have conducted the war thus far with a touch of genius. It had been expected that the French would launch a violent attack on the Western Front, but the French General Staff have shown restraint unusual to the military mind."

"Britain and France have got off to a flying start in organisation, while the British announcement that they are preparing for a three-years' war was an inspiration, and has frightened the Nazis, who are still dreaming of a one-front lightning war."

"In addition, the British blockade has irritated the Nazis after only a fortnight of operation."

B.E.F. Organisation

LONDON, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—From "Somewhere in France" "Eye-Witness," the official British war correspondent, writes:

"Vast preparations for the welfare of the British expeditionary force in France are going steadily forward."

"The complicated mechanism of transferring the army is proceeding smoothly and with admirable co-operation from the French authorities."

"The ramifications of the huge organisation are controlled from a series of modest-looking houses. The officers are in billets and the Tommies in barracks, of which two-thirds are occupied by British troops and one-third by French."

Belgian Frontier Defences Manned

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BRUSSELS, Sept. 24 (Reuter).—Newspaper Correspondents who recently visited the national defence forces, says that the troops are showing a good morale.

They are well fed and comfortably billeted.

Photographs and reports published indicate that anti-tank defences, supported by camouflaged artillery and machine gun nests have been prepared, and are strongly installed and permanently manned.

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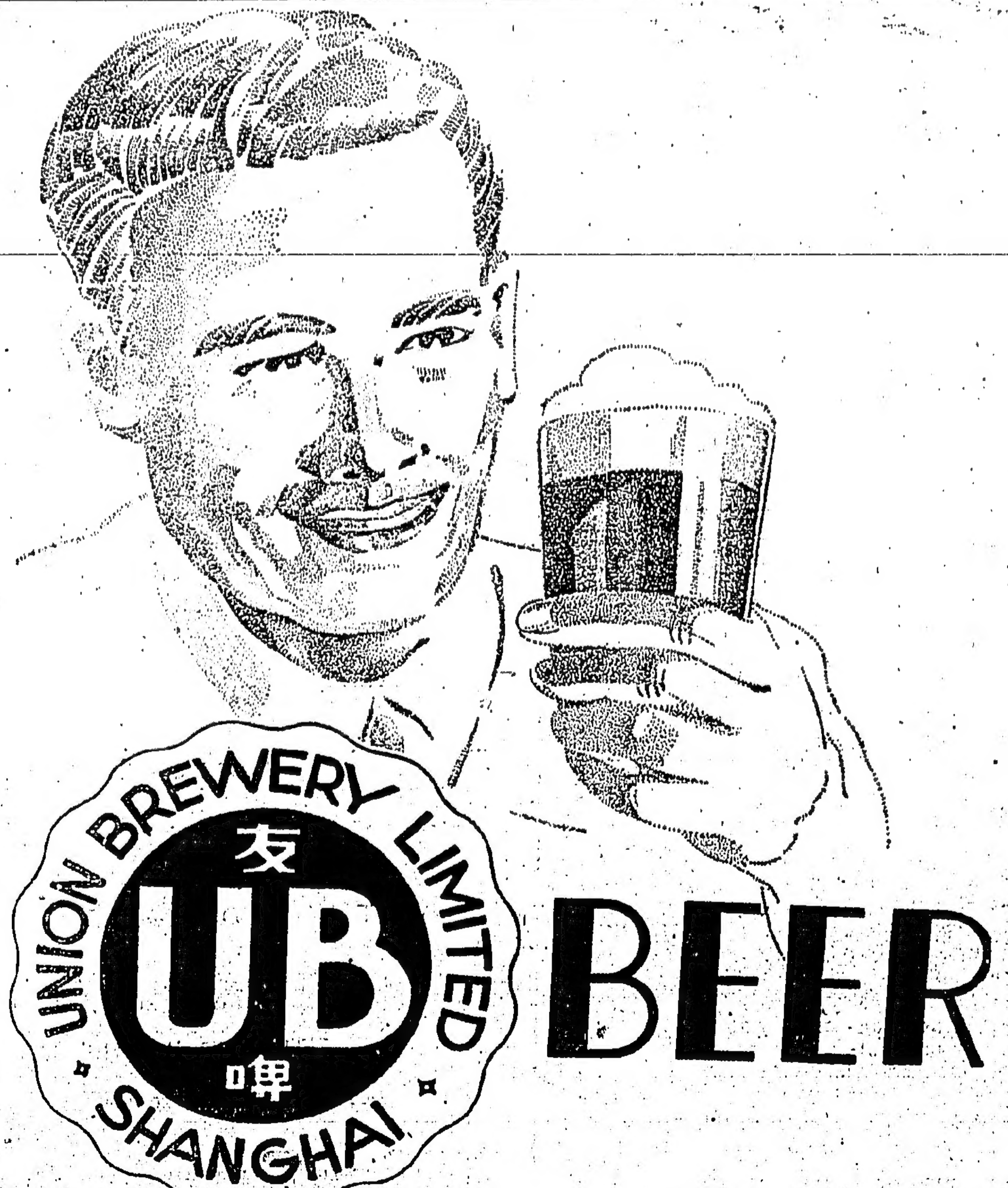
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- 12.30 John McCormack (Tenor) in an Irish Programme.
- 1.0 Time and Weather.
- 1.03 Variety with John Tilley, Western Brothers and Rene Houston.
- 1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather and Announcements.
- 1.45 Grieg—Concerto in A Minor, Op. 16.
- Willhelm Backhaus (Piano) and The New Symphony Orchestra conducted by John Barbirolli.
- 2.15 Close down.
- 6.0 "For the Children".
- 6.30 Closing local Stock Quotations.
- 6.32 Chorus.
- 6.45 London Relay—News Supplement.
- 6.55 B.B.C. Recording — "Hail Variety".
- Written and devised by Gale Pedrick; Production by Roy Speer.
- 7.25 Cinema Organ Selections.
- 7.42 Excerpts from C.B. Cochran's "Anything Goes".
- Jack Whiting, Jeanne Aubert, The Four Admirals, Sidney Howard, The Four Harmonists and Chorus with the Palace Theatre Orchestra conducted by Francis Collinson.
- 7.51 Foreyshe—Southern Holiday (A Fantasy of Negro Moods).
- The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra directed by Henry Hall with Reginald Foreyshe at the Piano.
- 8.0 Time, Weather and Announcements.
- 8.03 Puccini's "Madam Butterfly" Act III.
- 8.30 Concerti Waltzes.
- 8.45 Victor Silverster and His Ballroom Orchestra.
- 9.10 Studio—Comments on Recent Events.
- 9.15 London Relay—The News.
- 9.30 Hawaiian Selections.
- 9.40 Dance Music and Variety.
- 11.0 Close down.

Messrs. Cable & Wireless notify that telegrams in English may now be forwarded to French Indo-China.

NAZIS USING AERIAL MINES ON SAAR FRONT

ROME, Sept. 24 (UP).—The Germans are using aerial mines—balloon exploded by ground control—against Allied aircraft on the western front, according to the "Popolo Di Roma's" war zone correspondent.

He claims that the detonation causes an air displacement possessing a fatal force 20 times greater than an ordinary mine.



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Internee To Marry Soon

Fiancee's Application For Release

ELSE Rudek (nee Krouzberger), has applied to the Registry Office for a licence for her marriage to Otto Hans Ahrens, journalist.

The bridegroom-to-be is an internee at La Salle College, and an application is being made for his release for the wedding.

Other couples announcing their forthcoming wedding are:

Mr. Johnson Liu, merchant, to Miss Phoebe, of Prince Edward Road, Kowloon.

Mr. Lai Shou-tung, bank clerk, to Miss Wong Lai-sheung, of Perfection Place, Tai Hang.

CONFISCATION QUERY

Court Has No Jurisdiction Over Python

Something unique in Crown confiscation cases was done before Mr. Himsworth at Kowloon Magistrate's Court Saturday when Leo Sing, 62, pedlar of Chinese medicinal plants, was charged with cruelty to animals.

Inspector Rogers said as an attraction for prospective customers, Leo had several snakes in baskets. One python was given a young chicken to memorise before swallowing it.

Inspector Rogers raised the question of confiscating the python as Leo might go elsewhere, he said, and do the same thing, but Mr. Himsworth replied that the law provided that the animal subjected to cruelty could be confiscated.

Inspector Rogers—But the chicken is inside the python.

Leo was fined \$10, or two weeks' gaol. If he is unable to pay the fine the Court will issue a distress warrant against the python.

NORTH POINT FIRE

Store Yard Suffers Extensive Damage

Considerable damage was done to goods stored in a match shed when fire broke out in the store-yard of the Chinese Ministry of Communications at North Point on Saturday.

The blaze occurred at noon, and seven appliances from Hong Kong fire stations answered the call. Hoses were played on the flames on all sides, but it was over an hour before the fire-fighters succeeded in getting control.

The match shed, in which were stored miscellaneous goods, was totally destroyed. The goods suffered much damage from fire, heat and water.

Unofficial sources state that material in the store-yard is worth \$1,500,000.

Hundreds of people living in the vicinity watched the blaze, and rooftops were crowded.

BUMPED HIS HEAD

Man Dies After Quarrel In Wanchai Street

Following a squabble over a 50 cents mahjong debt, Yu Wai-tim, alias Tai Kan-lo, 28, is being held by the Police following the death of Yau Kam-hoi, 25, of 119 Lockhart Road Round floor.

It is alleged that Yu met Yau at 1 p.m. on Friday at the junction of Jaffe Road and Luari Road and demanded payment of a debt of 50 cents owing as the result of a mahjong game. Yau had no money and Yu caught him by the legs and bumped his head on the ground several times then let him fall.

Yau's brother found him in a coma and on Saturday he was taken to the Queen Mary Hospital where he died from a fractured spine.

Yu was arrested yesterday in Wanchai.

Labour Sympathetic

Chinese Return From Europe

Mr. Chu Hsueh-an, Chinese employee's delegate to the 25th International Labour Conference, arrived in Hongkong last week after a successful publicity tour in Europe.

Mr. Chu said the results of the conference had been satisfactory. At the meeting, a resolution was passed recognising the important contribution China's two years' war of resistance had made to international labour interests.

The resolution, which was passed unanimously, delegates of 35 countries declared that the world of labour held the greatest sympathy for China and would extend its assistance to China. Boycott against Japan would be intensified.

According to Mr. Chu, the widespread boycott movement against Japan by labour circles throughout the world was largely attributable to the conference's resolution.

Mr. Chu is making a short stay in Hongkong, drafting his report to the National Government.

Assistance For Students In War Area In China

Ten Chinese delegates to the World Christian Youth's Conference held at The Hague in July returned to the Athos II yesterday.

China's present cause and the plight of her people in the war were reported to the conference in great detail, according to Mr. Cheng Tchen, one of the delegates.

Several resolutions concerning China were adopted at the conference. One advocates assistance to Chinese students forced out of school by the hostilities.

Aside from problems relating to Christianity, political, economic and diplomatic problems were also discussed, Mr. Cheng said.

According to Miss Liang Chun-ching, another delegate, the entire body of world army sent a joint telegram to President Roosevelt after the conference expressing appreciation of the American decision to abolish the 1911 Treaty of Commerce and Navigation with Japan and urging more positive aid to China.

Altogether 71 countries were represented. Germany, however, did not send any delegate. Central News.

DANGEROUS DRIVING

British Soldier Advised To Plead Not Guilty

Sequel to a fatal accident in Repulse Bay Road on September 4, was the appearance of Pte. Leslie Lansdell, of the Middlesex Regiment, before Mr. Forrest at Central Magistrate's Court on Saturday, charged with dangerous driving.

Sub-Ins. Clarke said Lansdell was driving a small Army truck and had rounded a right hand bend well on his own side of the road, but did a right-angle turn to the left, struck the parapet on the side of the road and plunged down the hillside for 50 feet.

A soldier, who was a passenger on the truck, was killed instantly.

Mr. Forrest advised Lansdell to plead not guilty, and adjourned the case to September 29. Lansdell was remanded in military custody.

PARKING OFFENCE
R. M. C. Dobbs, of Imperial Airways, was fined \$20 by Mr. Forrest at Central Magistrate's Court on Saturday, for overtime parking in Chater Road.

Sub-Ins. Clarke said that the car was left in Chater Road until September 2, when the Police took it to Central Station. Dobbs, on returning to the Colony from a short visit to Bangkok, found the car was not where he had left it, and reported that it had been stolen.

Mr. Lo Yu-hing reported that his car an Austin touring, No. 3134, was stolen between 6.45 a.m. and 6.00 p.m. yesterday outside No. 31 Fuk Wah Street; later the car was recovered.

In Hongkong Mr. Su Man-wo, of 16 Stanton Street, reported the loss of his car, a Morris No. 2427, from the Queen Mary Hospital where he died from a fractured spine.

Yu was arrested yesterday in Wanchai.

GIRL ADMITS THEFTS

Mui Tsai with Bad Record At S. C. A.

"You are making a very bad start in life in spite of all the facilities afforded you," said Mr. Himsworth at Kowloon Magistrate's Court on Saturday when Chun Yuen-wah, 17, a girl was charged with stealing money and jewellery from Wong Wah-lun.

Inspector Rogers said Chun was the niece of the principal tenant. On September 5 Wong discovered \$10.20 missing from her suitcase. On September 12 a gold finger ring was missing and on September 13 six silver dollars. She suspected Chun and questioned her and Chun admitted stealing the money but not the finger ring. Only \$3.20 was recovered.

Mr. Fraser of the S.C.A. said Chun was a registered mui tsai and on March 21 became the adopted daughter of Chan Kong-lui. The woman inspector of the S.C.A. had been visiting her since 1931 and had always reported that Chun was disobedient and of an unruly nature. She also stole from her adopted mother while in her custody.

Inspector Rogers said the ring had not been recovered and the second charge was dropped.

Sentence of \$10, or three weeks on the first charge, and \$10, or three weeks on the third charge, sentences to run consecutively, was passed.

LATE NEWS

S. CHINA WINS

MANILA, Sept. 25 (UP).—South China beat Santo Tomas University 4-0, displaying superb team work and accurate passing. The visitors completely outplayed the home team, and also dominated a greater part of the game.

Fung-King-cheung was the star of the match in the absence of Lee Wai-tung, who did not play. Fung opened the scoring after seven minutes, play, and added another goal a minute later. South China led 2-0 at interval. In the second half Fung added the third goal and Chan Tak-fai completed the visitors' tally with a long range shot. The visitors sailed for Hongkong to-day.

Railway Cut

SHANGHAI, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—Japanese press reports claim that the Japanese forces have cut the Canton-Hankow Railway two kilometers south of the Yu River, thus cutting off the main avenue of retreat for the Chinese forces defending south-eastern Hunan.

War Writer Dies

NEW YORK, Sept. 25 (Reuter).—Obituary: well-known war correspondent, Floyd Gibbons.

"Cut Rates" At Schmidt's Sale

FAT
There was a rush to buy German photographic equipment, medical instruments and binoculars when the sale of the liquidated stocks of Schmidt & Co. opened at their premises in Chater Road this afternoon.

Miniature camera fans eager to purchase Leicas at cut prices were disappointed to find that members of the "army" firm had either taken the popular cameras with them or sold them before war was declared.

With several thousand dollars of equipment for sale at cut prices the shop was packed all afternoon. Among the articles eagerly sought after were high-powered microscopes, field glasses, cinematographical gear and films.

The stock is not being auctioned but is being sold at cut prices. The sale will be continued to-morrow and Wednesday afternoon.

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